

Area now revealed as hotspot for vehicle-related crime

CAR CRIME UP BY 20 PER CENT

REPORT BY MEGAN ARCHER

CAR theft has soared 20 per cent in Walsall in just a year, new figures show.

There were 3,751 car thefts in the year-long period over 2016 to 2017 and 4,494 in the 12 months in 2017/2018.

Data from UK Crime Statistics reveal the Black Country is now a hotspot for vehicle-related crime with Wolverhampton the worst affected area. It saw a 40 per cent jump in car crime in the past year – going from 3,232 thefts to 4,598.

West Bromwich was also badly hit, with a 20 per cent increase of 992 in 2017 to 1,196 in 2018. Staffordshire has also seen a rise, but a smaller one. There were 5,533 car thefts in 2017, compared with 6,189 during the same period in 2018. Dudley saw a minor jump, a two per cent increase from 800 to 960 offences throughout one year.

Worst

The figures show last year was the worst on record since 2012, with 89,000 vehicles stolen and nearly 200,000 attempted vehicle thefts in the UK.

Councillor Mike Bird, leader of Walsall Council, was shocked to see by how much the number of car thefts had jumped up in the borough. He said: "A lot of cars now are keyless entry but I think this is a backward step from a manufacturers point of view."

"Yes it takes us two seconds to get in the car but these cars are also being targeted by thieves highjacking the electronics. Quite honestly I think manufacturers have to go back to basics and get rid of keyless entry."

With modern cars often now equipped with keyless entry, there is a growing issue of keyless theft, where criminals use so-called relay devices to trick cars into thinking the legitimate key is nearby.

David Jamieson, the police and crime commissioner for the West Midlands, recently called to car manufacturers to tighten the security on keyless cars as more criminals were figuring out ways to beat the system.

He said: "This is making our lives really difficult. It's sucking up loads of police time that should be dealing with other more serious crime. At the moment it's kid's play – it takes 30 to 40 seconds to get in and off you go."

OH KIRKY! CHARITY MATCH IS RIGHT UP OUR STREET



Meeting the fans . . . Andy Whymant with, from left, Katie Ralph, Payton Ralph-Adams, aged seven, and Bev Ralph

HE may be better known as the hapless factory packer in the popular TV soap Coronation Street but Andy Whymant (alias Kirky) was happy to take to the pitch to boost charity coffers.

He joined other stars from soaps, including Hollyoaks and Emmerdale, and despite the washout weather hundreds of people arrived to show their support.

Some of the biggest names from the soaps took the trip from Manchester to Walsall on Sunday afternoon as they played against a Midlands Co-op team at Rushall Olympic FC's very wet and rainy Dales Lane ground.

The event raised money for local charities.

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REMAND

Two in court after murder at flats

TWO men have appeared in court charged with murdering Kevin Shepperson who was found dead at his Willenhall flat.

Cameron MacKenzie, of Richmond Street, Chuckery, and Wayne Kendall, of Bloxwich Road South, Willenhall, both aged 21, were remanded in custody by Walsall magistrates. They were due to attend Wolverhampton Crown Court yesterday, Wednesday.



Mr Shepperson

The pair were arrested after 39-year-old Mr Shepperson was found dead in the hallway of his third floor flat in Bloxwich Road South just before 12.30pm last Wednesday. A post mortem examination revealed that he died as a result of multiple injuries.

DELAYS

Bridge climb closes the M6 for 5 hours

A SECTION of the M6 near Walsall was closed for more than five hours after a vulnerable man climbed over the railings of a bridge on the motorway.

Drivers were stuck with delays of more than 90 minutes in both directions after the incident at the bridge over junction 10. Police reported he had safely come down, and the road was fully reopened, by midday on Saturday.

PUBS

That's ruff! Dogs get ban from pub chain

JD Wetherspoon is banning dogs from all of its 936 pubs.

The pub chain, with sites across the Black Country and Staffordshire, has said no dogs, except guide dogs, will be allowed in from September 10. This comes after staff complained about cleaning up dog mess and raised issues with hygiene and dogs frightening children.

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Police chief puzzled by rise in violence



David Jamieson

THERE is no 'complete answer' to the rising level of violence across the region this summer, the Police and Crime Commissioner has claimed.

Over the past few months violent crime in the West Midlands has soared, with knife attacks, assaults and shootings becoming a regular occurrence.

Police resources have been dwindling in recent years, while funding for the force has also been cut. The average spend per person by the police force in the West Midlands is £186 per person. In London it is £337.

And PCC David Jamieson thinks that, while cuts and a longer, hotter summer have played their part in the rising levels of violence, this alone does not explain why there has been such a rise this year.

"There's two things happening this summer," he said. "You've got the background level of violence, that type of nasty violence we've seen increasing over the past two years. You put on top of that this fine weather, and that has actually escalated it further. And the fine weather, the more people out, the

longer daylight, more people drinking outside.

"So there's more interaction with people and therefore there's more violence, I'm afraid. But the background violence is also going up, which is really quite worrying.

"And I don't think we have a complete answer to this, I don't think we have any answer. It's happening right across the country. They're seeing incidents that at one time would have been a minor skirmish between people, have now turned out to be quite nasty."

Patient in an 11-hour wait for ambulance

IT took nearly 11 hours for an ambulance to reach a patient when the 'Beast from the East' hit the region, it has been revealed.

A BBC investigation has laid out the longest delays by ambulance services in the UK between June 2017 and June 2018. Ambulance trusts said the delays were linked to the busy winter period and that resources were prioritised for life-threatening emergencies.

In the West Midlands Ambulance Service area, the five highest wait calls - which were for less serious injuries - were over or around 10 hours. The longest wait was 10 hours and 47 minutes for a 50-year-old man who had suffered a head injury.

WMAS spokesman Murray MacGregor said three of the five calls had happened when strong winds from Siberia - dubbed the 'Beast from the East' - hit the region and caused widespread disruption across the whole of the country earlier this year.

Mr MacGregor said the other two calls had been taken during inclement weather in December and March and all of the five calls related to patients with less serious injuries.

Mr MacGregor said: "We always try to get to every call as soon as possible."

All smiles as students make the GCSE grade

By Heather Large

PUPILS across the Black Country were all smiles after making the grade at GCSE.

Across the country pass rates rose in the wake of the biggest exams shake-up for a generation.

For some subjects, the traditional A* to G grades are being phased out, to be replaced with a 9 to 1 system, with 9 the highest grade.

In the West Midlands the pass rate fell slightly to 63.1 per cent but success stories included Rashida Akalwaya, head girl at Stuart Bathurst Catholic High School, Wednesbury, with seven grade 9s and two A*s.

At Ormiston Sandwell Community Academy in Tividale 64 per cent of students achieved a grade 4 or higher and in maths 57 per cent of students achieved a grade 4 or above. Overall, half of the students achieved at least a grade 4 in English and maths.

Raihaanah Kulthoom, of Ormiston Forge Academy in Cradley Heath, secured four 9s, two A*s, five 8s and one A. In English, 64 per cent of students achieved Grade 4 or above.

Dr Lisa Mason, Head of Academy at Ormiston Forge Academy, said: "We are delighted that students continue to make strong progress."

Grace Academy Darlaston has continued to see year on year improvements with record numbers of students achieving level 4 and level 5 or above in English and maths.

Some 65 per cent of Students at Queen Mary's Grammar School in Walsall came in at A/A* or 7-9. In the Mathematics GCSE, 85 per cent of all entries were a grade 7 or better.

There was an improvement in the number of students achieving pass grades in both English and mathematics at Walsall's Joseph Leckie Academy. Among the top students at Aldridge School was Irfan Mahmood with four grade 9s and two grade 8s.



Pupils celebrate their exam success at Ormiston Sandwell Community Academy



Robert Bathurst Catholic High School celebrates



Aldridge School pupils with their top marks

Drummer on tour for 70th

CANADIAN rock legend Corky Laing is performing later this year.

The 70-year-old drummer, who is best known for his part in rock band Mountain, is performing at the Robin 2 in Bilston on October 15.

It is part of seven dates he is playing across the UK as part of his 70th birthday celebration tour. Advance tickets can be purchased by calling 01472 349 222.

He will be accompanied by his band, Chris Shutters on guitar, vocals and flute; Mark Mikel on bass, vocals and keyboards; and Phil Baker on guitar, vocals and keyboards.

Corky has played on more than 100 recordings and has been a major contributing artist on numerous singles, live albums and around 23 studio albums.

Original prints will go on show

A GROUP of artists are showcasing their work at The Crossings in Walsall until September 3.

The group led by master print maker Chris Salmon is called Studio 99.

The exhibition is at the Darwall Street venue and will feature original prints.

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Passengers get on board with value of services

NEARLY nine in 10 bus passengers in the West Midlands are happy with their service and record numbers think it is good value for money, an independent survey has found.

Figures released by Transport Focus show 88 per cent of the region's bus passengers are satisfied with their overall journey. A record 67 per cent of passengers – up seven per cent on the previous year – also felt the cost of their bus travel represented good value for money.

Results from the survey, carried out in spring 2018, have been welcomed by Transport for West Midlands, part of the West Midlands Combined Authority, and the region's biggest operator National Express West Midlands.

Councillor Roger Lawrence, WMCA portfolio holder for transport, said the figures were a reflection of the improvements made in recent years as part of the pioneering West Midlands Bus Alliance. The partnership, the first of its kind in the UK, brings together bus operators, local councils and other partners to work together and drive forward investment.

Councillor Lawrence said: "The Bus Alliance set a challenging satisfaction target of 85 per cent so it's encouraging to see that our work is paying off."

"Good quality bus services will help attract more people on to public transport and that's vital if we are to manage the road congestion that's already harming our regional economy. While these results show we are moving in the right direction we will continue to work to make services even better."

Church marks big anniversary

A CHURCH opened its doors to celebrate its community room's 15th anniversary. Chase Terrace Methodist cut the ribbon on the Milton Suite in 2003 and it has been used regularly since.

To mark the milestone, members and friends of the Princess Street church enjoyed a celebration on August 18. The Milton Suite consists of a meeting room and kitchen facility and was named in honour of a stalwart member of the church and local preacher, Milton Spraggett.

The revamp rebuild and refurbishment work was funded through a the Single Regeneration budget for Burntwood plus other grants.

Barbara Bevan, a church steward, said: "Over the last 15 years, many hundreds of people have passed through our doors and used our community facilities." Any local group needing a meeting room, with or without the use of full kitchen facilities, is asked to call 01543 670632.

MP to visit Oakwood amid G4S crisis



HMP Oakwood, in Featherstone

AN MP is to visit a prison near Wolverhampton amid the scandal over HMP Birmingham which saw it taken back into Government control.

Emma Reynolds has accepted an invitation from G4S to visit Oakwood Prison and said the private security firm had 'serious questions to answer' over the crisis at Winson Green. The private firm runs both prisons but was stripped of control of HMP Birmingham last week and the crisis there has sparked concerns about the future of Oakwood.

The MP for Wolverhampton North

East warned that the firm may not be fit to continue running the Featherstone jail after it was announced the Government would be taking over Birmingham Prison for at least six months. An unannounced inspection of HMP Birmingham revealed widespread problems including prisoners openly smoking drugs, staff asleep on the job and bullying.

However, Ms Reynolds said she was pleased G4S had asked her to visit Oakwood. The Labour MP said one of her key aims would be to find out the ratio of prison officers to prisoners,

following concerns unruly inmates had taken over HMP Birmingham.

More than 2,000 prisoners are housed at Oakwood. Prison managers were praised following an inspection earlier this year but concerns were raised over drugs and attacks on staff.

She said: "I will be going there with an open mind. The reason I have questioned the competence of G4S is because I think they have questions to answer on why the standards at Birmingham Prison deteriorated so rapidly."

Cutbacks may mean a charge for care alarms

THOUSANDS of people could be charged hundreds of pounds for a lifeline alarm system that helps them access care in Walsall.

The borough council is considering bringing in charges for the Community Alarm Service, which could cost users £728 per year. It is currently free to use.

It costs the local authority almost £1.3 million each year to run, not including additional costs to upgrade the equipment, according to the council.

The charges could impact on around 7,000 people who use the vital service, which provides a 24-hour, seven-day-a-week care service for people who need extra support.

The council's opposition leader says it will make the 'most vulnerable worse off'.

Councillor Sean Coughlan said: "It is going to be a massive issue for the borough. Quite clearly, they are now seeing the reality of austerity and they now have to deal with the problems that we had started to put right."

Vulnerable

"Once again the Conservatives are making our most vulnerable worse off. We will have to see what the consultation has to say."

As part of the authority's four-year financial plan until and including 2020, cabinet members agreed an annual reduction of £567,000 for the service, resulting in an available budget for 2019/20 of less than £500,000.

Walsall is the only area in the Black Country that does not charge for the service. Councillor Mike Bird, council leader, said: "Walsall Council is consulting on the future of the Community Alarm Service in connection with the four-year budget set in February 2017."

"The consultation is important to enable the council to gain a clear picture of the preference of service users so this can be given full consideration during the decision making process."

"The consultation remains open until September 21 and all interested persons are encouraged to have their say."

Visit www.walsall.gov.uk/Have_your_say_Community_alarms_service_consultation

Alfie braves shave for granddad



For Alfie Mansell, aged nine, it is time to say goodbye to his long locks

A NINE-YEAR-OLD schoolboy spent three years growing his hair for charity.

And now Alfie Mansell, from Walsall, has braved the shave at Banks Salon in Wednesbury to raise hundreds for Burkitt's lymphoma charity The Scott Hampton Foundation.

The youngster has been on a mission to give something back to the charity ever since losing his grandfather Steven Alford to the disease in 2016.

Steven, a grounds maintenance worker for Sandwell Council, lost his battle with the illness after just six months, aged 59.

Alfie lobbied teachers and fellow pupils from Yew Tree Primary School, where he will return to next month as a Year 5 student, to raise a total of £400 for The Scott Hampton Foundation.

Nan Pam, 59, said: "Steven would have been so proud of Alfie."

NEWS IN BRIEF

£10 photocards charge scrapped

YOUNG people across the region can get 50 per cent discounts on bus, train and tram travel – without having to pay £10 for a photocard.

Transport for West Midlands, part of West Midlands Combined Authority, has waived the £10 charge for cards for all 105,000 young people aged 16-18 in the West Midlands. The fee was removed after some young people starting apprenticeships and college courses said the expense was a barrier for them.

Mayor Andy Street said: "We've always offered discounts for those in full-time education. Now, we have waived the £10 photocard fee."

Driver suspected of drugs offences

A DRIVER was arrested on suspicion of drugs offences after being stopped by police on the M6.

The car, said to have false number plates, was followed by officers before being brought to a stop near Junction 10 for Walsall.

The driver was arrested on suspicion of drug-driving, possession of cannabis and on suspicion of driving offences. Motorway police allege he had used false plates as he did not have any insurance.

The West Midlands Police dogs unit was brought in to help with the arrest.

Police hunt for off-road bikers

POLICE are hunting three off-road bikers in Wednesbury after complaints from residents.

The boys were involved in off-road biking in Friar Park on August 19.

Sgt Chris Bolton of Sandwell Neighbourhood Policing Team, said: "There have been numerous reports about off-road bikers, particularly in Friar Park."

Their behaviour affects everyone in the area and we take this very seriously. We are grateful to those people that have provided us with information."

Rubella Ballet reveal date for gig in Brum

PUNKS Rubella Ballet are set to play a one-off show in the West Midlands. The Sutton Coldfield band have recently released their sixth album Danger of Death.

Rubella Ballet formed at a gig in 1979 when Crass invited their audience to use their equipment, who they went on to tour extensively with and went on to catch the eye of DJ John Peel in 1982. They play Birmingham's Waggon and Horses on October 6.

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COUNTY NEWS

Average earnings below decade ago

AVERAGE earnings are still £13 a week lower than a decade ago, an economic think tank has reported.

Just over two million more people have found work since the financial crash of 2008, with more than a million of those in the poorest third of households, the research by the Resolution Foundation showed.

However, with 800,000 on zero-hours contracts, job insecurity is still "widespread" and real average earnings are still £13 a week less than a decade ago, it said. TUC general secretary Frances O'Grady accused the Government of turning a blind eye to stagnating wages.

Call for crackdown on antique guns

IN a bid to tackle the use of antique guns by criminals, West Midlands Police and Crime Commissioner David Jamieson is calling on the government to tighten firearms laws.

He is urging changes to nine gun categories as concern grows over gang members buying antique weapons.

David Jamieson said: "It is vital the government makes it much harder for gang members and criminals in the West Midlands and beyond to get their hands on antique guns which can be turned into deadly weapons with relative ease. It needs to ensure obsolete calibre firearms don't fall into the wrong hands."

Ban on kitten and puppy sales likely

THE sale of puppies and kittens by pet shops and other commercial dealers will be banned under plans put out for consultation by the Government.

Anyone buying or adopting a pet less than six months old will have to deal directly with the breeder or a rescue centre under the proposed ban.

The move aims to reduce serious health problems and socialisation issues which afflict pets kept in poor conditions by unscrupulous, profit-driven breeders.

Appeal to take shorter showers

FAMILIES in the region have been urged to consider how much water they are using after a study found people shower for 10 minutes on average. This summer's heatwave led to water shortages in parts of the UK.

Experts say time in the shower should be limited to four minutes but a new survey found people in the West Midlands generally spend 10 minutes having a wash.

City among cheapest places to die

WOLVERHAMPTON is among the cheapest places to die with an average cost of £4,440 for a funeral, according to a new survey.

Wolverhampton ranked 37th out of 50 and Birmingham was 50th with funerals averaging £4,265.

Watford tops the list of the 50 most expensive place to die in the UK, with an average funeral price of nearly £5,814. It is 37 per cent higher than

the national average, according to research by funeral comparison website Beyond. It said high prices are being fuelled by price hikes imposed by the big chains, despite independent funeral directors, who represent roughly a third of the market, reducing fees in the last year.

The average UK funeral, calculated as the average cost of a funeral director's services plus the average price of

cremations and burials, is now £4,241.

This represents a rise of 33 per cent in only two years – in 2016 the average was £3,190. London was close behind Watford at £5,749 with Redhill in third at £5,352.

The big chains have raised their already-high fees by more than £500 in two years. For their services alone, people pay an average of £3,573, and this is before adding in the cost of the

cremation or burial.

James Dunn, co-founder of Beyond, said: "A lack of transparency in the funeral market is what's fuelling price rises, particularly among the big chains."

"Death means big business, with half a million Brits dying every year, but a disinclination to shop around is resulting in mourners, who are often vulnerable, paying over the odds."

No jail for one-punch attack which hurt man

Report by John Scott

AN engineering student, whose single punch seriously injured a man he wrongly thought had just stabbed his brother, has been spared jail.

The blow from Jake Thomason sent Reece Scott crashing to the ground where his head hit the concrete surface with terrible force early on Christmas morning, a judge heard.

Mr Mark Stephens, prosecuting at Wolverhampton Crown Court, said: "A woman witness later told police she would never forget the sound of the impact. She rushed to help him and found he was bleeding from an ear."

Trouble flared when two groups clashed outside The Old Horns Pub in Queslett Road, Great Barr on December 25 2015 during which the defendant's brother was stabbed in the chest, explained the prosecutor. It was claimed that Thomason, now aged 23, was heavily intoxicated and very upset over the stabbing of his brother when he hit Mr Scott, revealed Mr Stephens.

Mr Scott suffered a fractured skull, bleeds on the brain and a perforated eardrum. He was detained under treatment in hospital for 11 days and has lost his sense of both smell and taste. He explained in a victim impact statement read to the court that he had not been able to drive for four months and lost his job. It continued: "I felt everybody else around me was carrying on with their lives while I could not."

Mr Simon Burch, defending, argued: "The consequences of the punch could not have been foreseen."

Thomason, from Sandringham Road, Birmingham and of previous good character, pleaded guilty on the day of his trial to causing grievous bodily harm. He was given a two year jail term suspended for two years with 200 hours unpaid work and a four month night time curfew. He was also ordered to pay Mr Scott £2,500 compensation.

Caravan of love for hospice's history



Sarah Bowron, Acorns 30th Anniversary Campaign Manager with the Acorns Story Box caravan

THE ground-breaking history of a Black Country-based charity will be preserved for future generations thanks to a successful bid to the Heritage Lottery Fund (HLF).

In a project, Acorns Children's Hospice will record milestone moments from its rich 30-year history to display in a grand exhibition for members of the public.

The Acorns Story Box Project, made possible thanks to a grant of £34,700, will form the lasting legacy of the charity's 30th anniversary celebrations. Acorns 30th Anniversary Campaign Manager, Sarah Bowron, said: "We're very excited to reveal that our application to the Heritage Lottery Fund has been successful. I believe it is vital to capture our history and we're delighted that

we've received the support of National Lottery players. "Not only will the Acorns Story Box project help others understand our historical significance as pioneers in the children's hospice movement, it will also enable us to share our learning and show the impact of our work over the past three decades."

Acorns unmissable bright orange Story Box caravan will also be touring the region, with the charity inviting members of the public to share their own favourite memories of the last 30 years.

For more information about Acorns Story Box project or to find out when the caravan will be coming to a town or city near you, visit www.acorns.org.uk/storybox.

Paradise Circus shut for Metro extension

THE next phase of Birmingham Westside Metro Extension will start next month. This stage of the works will see the Metro line constructed from Victoria Square to Centenary Square.

Paradise Circus will close in both directions from Monday, September 3 until summer 2019 to enable the work to be done.

The A38 underpass, which runs beneath Paradise Circus, will remain open in both directions.

The Midland Metro Alliance is urging people passing through the area to plan ahead, allow more time for journeys, travel off peak where possible or use public transport.

The Westside extension is the next phase of works following the Metro extension from St Chads to Grand Central which opened for passenger service in May 2016.

Construction on this extension which is a little over 2km in length and is being delivered in two phases, started in summer 2017.

When fully completed the Metro will operate between Grand Central in the city centre to Hagley Road in Edgbaston.

The first phase of development will continue from Grand Central, past Birmingham's Town Hall to Centenary Square. The extension will provide Metro stops serving Victoria Square and the Paradise and Arena Central developments at the redeveloped Centenary Square.

When the first phase of the Birmingham Westside extension is open for passengers the 840-metre route will operate on battery power throughout and will be the first tramway in the UK to do so.

Work and home life 'is merging'

UK workers have abandoned efforts to maintain a boundary between their professional and personal lives.

New research has revealed employees now live a permanently blurred line, sustaining both a work life and home life at the same time.

A survey of 6,755 people, commissioned by website totaljobs, found that 58 per cent of employees work from home outside business hours. The average employee will spend 7hr 49min a week working at home, the equivalent of almost 51 extra working days a year.

Also 23 per cent of employees say they work from home because they don't have time to do all of their work during business hours, suggesting working from home is a necessity rather than a choice.

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Theme park day out to savour with Haven trip

COMMUNITY spirit was truly at its best when a group of individuals and organisations put their heads together to give vulnerable women and children a day out that they will never forget.

A double decker National Express bus took 70 women and children supported by The Haven in Wolverhampton on a trip to Drayton Manor Park, on a sunny Saturday in August – driven by Black Country DJ Dicky Dodd!

The driving force behind the idea to treat the families was Scott Lyons from Tata Steel, Matt Jukes from National Express and radio presenter Dicky from Signal 107.

As well as a day at the theme park near Tamworth they had a stop-off at McDonald's in Wolverhampton where meals were donated for all on board the bus.

In addition, beauty bags were donated for each of the mums, all donated by Selfridges. Tata Steel donated snacks and drinks for everyone throughout the day too.

Scott explained: "Tata Steel is a huge supporter of The Haven. The school holidays are even harder for the mothers and children, with some suffering financial difficulties and Tata Steel was extremely happy to support them with a day to remember."

George Bryan, Company Director for Drayton Manor Park added: "When we received the call from Jan, we were more than happy to help. The work the Haven completes is amazing and we're so pleased that everyone

More misery over city tram works

A BAR owner in Wolverhampton has hit out over the ongoing Metro tram roadworks in the city centre.

Shaun Keasey, owner of wine bar Prince Albert on Railway Street has criticised the pipe works that have begun directly outside his entrance.

He said on Twitter: "You can't expect a small, independent business to operate under these conditions. Metro works have killed our trade. No prior warning they were doing this! Totally fed up of it now!"

Midland Metro Alliance replied on Twitter, and said: "We are currently investigating this and will be in touch again soon. Thank you."

It comes after frustrated traders urged workers on a seven-month gas main project to 'just get on with it'.

Mike Brookes, of One Way Music in Salop Street, said he had barely seen the contractors since they began work on replacing a gas line two weeks ago.

Residents up in arms over housing plans



Councillors Rose Martin, Waheed Rasab and Gurmeet Snigh Sohal with residents

DOZENS of furious residents have hit out at plans for a major housing development over safety concerns caused by extra traffic.

Plans were submitted for 50 homes in Walsall last year and the main road to the site will be from the busy A34 Birmingham Road through Cricket Close, sparking concerns from residents on the street.

Up to 30 residents are campaigning to stop access through the street because they claim the extra cars will add pressure to the road which is already too narrow and congested.

Councillor Rose Martin said: "Cricket Close is a narrow road. There are a number of cars going through as it is close to the Broadway Island which is very congested and the sheer volume of traffic has a big impact.

"Residents are objecting to the plans due to safety concerns. They were shocked when they learned about the plans because of the problems they will have with access.

"Considering the amount of houses there will be, there are going to be a lot more cars squeezing through the small road. We are hoping residents

will be listened to and, if it is possible, we hope the access can be put in a different place."

The proposals were submitted to Walsall Council in July last year and it is still under assessment after amendments were made to the plans.

The site consists of the 105 year-old Walsall Tennis Club, which is looking for a new site, and mainly abandoned allotments to the south. There is a secondary access, only for emergency vehicles from Broadway. There will be 38 dwellings for private sale and 12 for affordable housing.

Left for dead in desert now Bert marks 100th

SHOT and left for dead in the desert 2,500 miles from home back in the Midlands the odds of Bert Watterston making it out of his 20s were slim – never mind celebrating his 100th birthday.

But that is just what the Second World War veteran from Great Wyrley did when he marked his milestone birthday with family including his daughter, Britain's Got Talent star keyboardist Jean Martyn.

Surrounded by his loved ones with a card from the Queen and a huge birthday cake memories of the war were the last thing on his mind on Saturday, August 19.

But Bert still bears the scar of his brush with death in 1943 and Jean – who made it to the final of BGT in 2011 – said he has shared the story with family who are incredibly proud of him.

Battles

Shortly after marrying Phyllis Violet Green, known as 'Vi', on August 17, 1940, Bert was sent to Ankara, Turkey, the next day, August 18, on what was also his 22nd birthday. And he wasn't to return to his new wife until the war's conclusion in 1945.

After a short time in Ankara, Bert was sent to Cairo in Egypt as a Sergeant for the Royal Electrical Mechanical Engineers (REME) regimaeas the battle for control of the Middle East raged on.

After years of life on the frontline in the desert in 1943 Bert was shot across the back and left for dead.

He was sent to a hospital in Israel where he was saved by a South African doctor who used a bandage lined with a ointment made out of maggots larvae to cover the wound, and leeches to eat away at the dead flesh.

He was so badly injured that the long journey to the UK was too arduous and he was sent back to Ankara to convalescence, before returning home after the war.

Coming home to his wife, Bert and Vi took over a Post Office in Brownhills West after Vi's brother decided to sell it. They spent 22 years



Proud Jean Martyn with her centenarian father Bert working here before selling it on and Bert went on to work for Walsall Council in the housing department before his retirement.

The couple celebrated their platinum wedding anniversary after 70 years of marriage in 2010 before Vi's death in 2011 aged 93. Now, the veteran has reached 100 and was surrounded by his loved ones to celebrate his life. He is the oldest surviving member of his family and was joined in the celebrations by Jean and other family.

Bert was not able to speak with the E&S himself but his daughter Jean said: "I can't imagine how hard it would have been to marry the person you loved and leave them for years the next day. This generation of people were incredible and my dad's no different. It's



A young Bert Watterston, on the left, with a pal horrible to think the pain and suffering so many people went through during this time and the injury my Dad suffered seemed terrible. He still has a scar today to prove it.

"His birthday was an absolutely fantastic day, we had a huge cake and all his friends and family were there, 48 people came to see him throughout the day.

"Out of his family he's the oldest but his 96-year-old sister, the next oldest, came all the way from Grantham to see him and that was just amazing. After mum died he could have gone one way or another but he's pulled through everything. He's even had three operations this year alone and he's still going strong. We thought we might lose him when he was ill but it's so amazing and such an achievement."

NEWS IN BRIEF

Hunt for Albanian shooting suspect

DETECTIVES are searching for a 34-year-old suspected of murder in Albania who has links to the West Midlands.

Granit Shehu is accused of shooting his victim during a fight in the eastern European country on September 16, 2015. He is described as being white, 5ft 9in, with short brown hair, and has links to London, Eastbourne, Leeds and the West Midlands.

Members of the public are advised not to approach Shehu if they see him, but to contact the Metropolitan Police Extradition Unit on 020 7230 3191. Alternatively they can call Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555 111.

Murder victim inquest opens

THE inquest on a murder victim found dead at his home has been opened and adjourned. Edwin Michael Bradley's body was discovered by police at his house in St Thomas Close, Coalpool, Walsall, on July 6.

The 65-year-old's neighbours called police after he had not been seen for several days, the Black Country Coroner's Court heard. The post mortem revealed he had been killed as a result of a blunt force trauma.

An investigation has been launched and Darren Barnes, 47, of no fixed abode, has been charged with his murder. Assistant coroner Emma Serrano suspended the inquest.

Rockers are due on the Horizon

BRING Me The Horizon will play the West Midlands later this year.

The announcement comes after the quintet released debut single Mantra from their upcoming sixth studio album, Amo. The Sheffield rockers formed in 2004, fronted by Drop Dead owner Oliver Sykes.

They released their debut album Count Your Blessings in 2006.

Their major label debut, Sempiternal, was released in 2013 and went gold in Australia and then silver in the UK. The group will play Arena Birmingham on November 23.

It's a beautiful day for U2 tribute band

A U2 tribute band is playing the whole Achtung Baby album in the West Midlands next month.

U2 2 is performing at the Robin 2 in Bilston on Friday, September 7, and will be supported by Black Bear Kiss.

The band are now into their 26th year as the leading look-a-like, sound-a-likes to U2. Tickets to next month's gig cost £10 in advance or £12 on the door. Visit www.therobin.co.uk or call 01902 401211 to book tickets.

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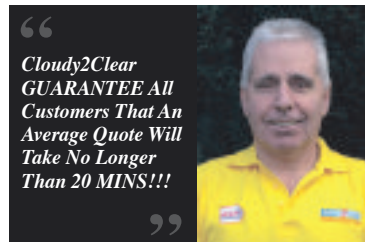
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IN MY VIEW

with Mark Andrews



Come on mayor, drop the Ali G look

REMEMBER that remarkably unfunny comedian who went around pretending to be Mayor of Stafford, and took to Twitter making offensive comments about other mayors and genuinely acting like a bit of an idiot?

I only mention it because from reports this week it sounds like he might be operating in Sheffield.

Councillor Magid Magid – presumably his parents were short of ideas when it came to choosing a name – has certainly taken, shall we say, an unconventional approach to the job since he became mayor.

He turns up to civic functions dressed like Ali G, wears the mayoral chains like it's a bit of bling he bought from Cash Converters, and has just returned from Amsterdam where he talked about youth culture. Then there was the mayor-making ceremony, which was accompanied by incidental music from Star Wars, and the Superman theme tune. Oh, and during an interview with a newspaper last week, he appeared to think Queen Victoria was still on the throne.

Really, where do they find these people? You might remember how in this year's local elections Tettenhall's Sohail Khan decided he was going to rap his way onto Wolverhampton Council, causing a bit of controversy with a pistol along the way.

The sad thing about Magid Magid is he probably does have a genuine tale to tell. He arrived in Britain from Somalia as a five-year-old refugee from the civil war, spoke no English, and went on to study at Hull University. He could have been an inspirational role model, but instead he has chosen to turn his office into a laughing stock. There never anything less cool than politicians trying to get down with the kids. Epic fail, I believe the phrase is.

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CRAIG Hardwick caught two men on camera while they were dumping an old mattress in his back garden. Far from apologetic, they can be heard on Mr Hardwick's video giving him an earful, telling him he was racist for objecting.

I really hope these two get the book thrown at them, and are either fined several thousand pounds or spend a few months in prison, but I won't be holding my breath.

West Mercia Police has recently set up a website where people can grass up bad drivers by uploading their dash-cam footage, so why don't we have a similar scheme for fly-tippers, fly-posters and litter louts? I know which bothers me the most. And I know which one gets the most attention from the authorities.

Actor's lost his Spacey as a box office draw with flop



How the mighty have fallen, as under-fire Kevin Spacey's latest movie predictably fails



Don't let him be misunderstood – Chief Constable of West Mercia, Anthony Bangham



Jeremy Paxman on University Challenge, surprised at the lack of knowledge about the M1?

Wolver not a winner, but people are great

IN a poll of 55,000 dimwits, Wolverhampton has been voted Britain's second-worst city, after Bradford. All I can add to the debate is that I worked in Wolverhampton for 28 years and met some of the best people I have ever known.

I CAN'T provide the same ringing endorsement for Bradford. My father was born in the city. I recall him once saying: "I come from Bradford, and Bradford is a bloody good place to come from."

HOW are the mighty fallen. Kevin Spacey, accused last year of sexual harassment dating back many years, made a pitiful £99 this week on the opening night of his new movie. This is the same Kevin Spacey who delivered that mammoth dramatic masterclass as Frank Underwood – plotter, killer and president – in the Netflix version of House of Cards. I've just finished watching all 65 hour-long episodes, made between 2013 and 2017 and what an extraordinary tour de force it was. But, justice must be done, no matter how much shining talent it drags off into obscurity.

IN some versions of this blog on Tuesday, the Colosseum in Rome appeared as the Coliseum. Traditionally, 'coliseum' refers to any big outdoor arena while the one in Rome is 'Colosseum'. However, some of the new online dictionaries suggest that 'coliseum' is gradually taking over. So while I admit to a mistake, it was possibly not a colisal one.

YOU have to be pretty damn thuggish these days to get into prison. The courts are so soft that only the nastiest get banged up. They are the ones who use extreme violence, and the most grotesque weapons, to terrify, wound or

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kill their innocent victims. So how are we supposed to react to the news that some of these killers, maimers, extorters and serial burglars are so scared by the conditions in Birmingham Prison that they are afraid to leave their cells? Here is a liberal dilemma: do we have to feel really, really, genuinely sorry for them or is it okay just to pretend?

A READER sends me his take on the Birmingham Prison scandal: "Prison inspectors were horrified to see cockroaches, vomit, flies, human excrement, rat droppings and drug paraphernalia. It got even worse after they left New Street Station."

MY eye was caught by the tale of the woman who lost a contact lens and assumed it had fallen out. Twenty-eight years later it was discovered by a surgeon removing a cyst from her eye. I bet there can't be many of us contact-lens wearers who do not lose one from time to time, usually for a few minutes. But I had a colleague who realised his rigid gas-permeable lens (the little hard-glass sort) had slipped into the space between eyeball and socket. He thought no more about it. Later, sitting in a bar on holiday, he felt something and assumed it was an insect on his cheek. Turned out to be the missing lens. And when I say "later," I mean 18 months later.

A NEW treatment for enlarged prostate glands takes only five minutes and will soon be available on the NHS. This miracle cure in-

volves aiming jets of steam at the affected area. It goes without saying, in these cash-strapped times, that there will be long queues at the prostate-zapping clinics. Even so, chaps, do not try this at home.

BY some terrible mishap in February of this year, people got the idea that the Chief Constable of West Mercia, Anthony Bangham, was in favour of nicking speeders at just 1mph over the limit. It led to this statement from him: "Comments I made last week have led to a perception that the police are going to be pursuing and prosecuting drivers just one mph over the speed limit. That is not the case and was never advocated." Six months on, incredibly, Mr Bangham has again created the impression that he favours zero-tolerance policy. As Oscar Wilde might have put it: To be misunderstood once may be considered unfortunate. To be misunderstood twice looks like carelessness.

WE don't want people vaping on the buses, agreed? Whatever the health experts may tell us of its alleged benefits, vaping is just plain anti-social. It not only stinks but, worst of all, it shows exactly where the vaper's breath – great, billowing clouds of scented breath – is going. You are suddenly made unpleasantly aware that you are breathing in someone else's expelled air. Revolting.

INTERESTING to see that among the undoubted brilliance of University Challenge (BBC2), the youngsters did not know where the M1 motorway goes and thought the nation which provided sanctuary for the defeated Kaiser in 1918 was the UK. Brilliant at quantum physics, not so good at finding Leeds. Or Kaisers.

TALKING POINT



A waste of time, with service by jobsworths

MY green bin – i.e. the bin that is used for garden refuse – has not been very full of late, with no lawn cuttings, what with the scorched earth it has been instead. Ergo, there have been several collection rounds made by the appropriate binmen where my green bin has been absent.

My logical mind therefore put two and two together to get five and thought about clearing some debris and cutting back stuff that WAS growing in this recent interminable heat – resulting in four bin bags of extra greenery apart from one very full wheelie bin – there would have been no problem in the extra twigs, weeds and otherwise eminently crushable stuff, being chucked in the back of the lorry.

I'm pretty sure that before, when there was something extra put out for the boys in bright yellow, they scooped it up without a complaint. So when I arrived back from a hard day's toil to find the bags still stoically in place on the drive, I was a little disheartened.

Surely collectors could use a little initiative sometimes and think, well, a few extra bags won't matter, and just do the decent thing, even if it meant splitting the bags open and putting the plastic bits back in the wheelie bin, is that really too much to ask? In the meantime, I've since had to wait for the next collection day, two weeks later, and keep rotting vegetation in the garage next to the tumble drier.

I made damn sure that for the next collection ALL the said natural waste was reduced to a pulp in order to fit into my wheelie bin, without a hint of spillage over the rim at the top. It meant some death-defying rampant jumping up and down inside the bin holding onto an overhead eave, but what the heck? It all fit in and as a result, was whisked away.

One of these days I'm going to do myself an injury. I wonder how I'd get on if I did fall out of a wheelie bin? Could I sue the council? After all people trip over paving stones and get away with it.

And another thing, if I want to go down the tip and just drop off sundry items collected from a clear-out in bin bags, I don't see why I should have to sort them out into plastics, metals, cardboard etc., that way madness lies. Half the time it means actually disassembling items. Surely the tip chaps are there to do exactly that, otherwise what exactly are they doing?

Our household is obsessed when it comes to saving the planet. Our normal rubbish bin is barely used as everything possible is recycled. So I think we qualify for some semblance of charity from council operatives who are supposed to be working on our behalf. After all, what do we pay our council tax for?

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Council pay rise not justified

DR Helen Paterson has been awarded a £10,000 pay rise after just eight months into her job. I would like to know what she has done to justify her £165,000 salary let alone deserve another £10,000.

Mike Bird says we need to offer exorbitant sums of money to attract and retain the right individuals.

Mike Bird himself is clearly not up to the job as he has had to call in consultants to sort out the town's future - heaven knows how much that will cost us. What I do think though is that if they are not up to the job,

the cost of calling in consultants should be taken from their salary. I recently had to go into town and coming out of the back end of the Saddlers Centre I was appalled at the mess blowing around the street and with many shops closed and shuttered up it was like a third world town.

£10,000 of our money would be better spent cleaning the streets and making the town a better place for people to want to visit and spend their money there.

M KENDRICK
Pelsall

Show some kindness to loyal fans

WE expected ticket prices to be hiked up when Wolves hit the Premier League but come on, show some loyalty to the fans, the fans that have been going to matches for years through the good and the bad.

My son went to purchase his shirt (as he has for 17 years) - £66 this season because of the cost of the extras i.e. Premiership badges. Why not offer that cheaper as a celebration? Drinks prices have increased at the bar! Why? There's even more people attending now.

My husband has purchased his season ticket for 30 odd years even when he was made redundant and it was grim at the club. He has always shown his loyalty.

The club should look back at the fans' ticket records who have spent hundreds of their hard earned cash over the years and give something back. I know my husband and son will always give to Wolves, it's in their blood. But come on give a little something back!

CAROLINE PERRINS

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Cigarette ends indicate sad decline of town

RECENTLY walking to town from Church hill, into what was our once thriving market, I saw hundreds of cigarette ends which had been there for several weeks, at the bottom of two flights of steps.

What a filthy place Walsall has become. What, I wonder, what has our chief executive (now earning £175,000 a year - that means £479 a day) been doing to address its continuing decline?

I am appalled at the con-

dition of a once great town where people came from miles around to shop. I am ashamed to tell anybody where I live and if I could afford to move house I would. My friends and I are now shop elsewhere and leave Walsall to those who are happy to paddle in rubbish.

Jeremy Clarkson once said Wednesday was the worst town he had ever been to, obviously he hadn't been to Walsall!

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Anti-freeze cat cruelty

A LOCAL pet charity Lost & Found Cats, have brought an outbreak of cat poisoning to the public's attention in Darlaston.

It has been reported that at least three cats have been cruelly poisoned by criminals placing anti-freeze in cat's food or drink in the Wylie Road South area of Darlaston.

If anyone has any information please contact the RSPCA on 0300 1234 999 or call Councillor Doug James on 07983 456213.

It is not acceptable for individuals to take the law into their own hands or be cruel to pets and animals. Information will be referred to the police in order to assist with their enquiries and to apprehend the cat poisoner.

CLLR DOUG JAMES
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Crowns site future hope

I COMPLETELY endorse every sentiment expressed by Keith Watkins' letter Aug 16 over the future of the Three Crowns site.

This 1930's iconic building is perfect for conversion into homes. Thus, giving a wonderful lease of life to a building that has featured in the happy memories of many local people.

It always looked so handsome atop of Three Crowns hill. Please, Walsall Planning committee, no more loss of Walsall's few remaining treasured buildings. Sympathetic conversion and landscaping and everyone will pass with a huge smile.

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Region tourism booming with new high for international visits

THE West Midlands attracted more international visits last year than ever before, according to the latest figures released by the Office for National Statistics (ONS).

Tourism is booming, with the region welcoming a record 2.3 million visits last year – up six per cent on 2016, as highlighted by the latest International Passenger Survey (IPS) report.

The West Midlands experienced the second highest growth in international visits of all English regions, behind only the North West. It also secured the highest proportion of business visits of all UK destinations, with two out of five, or 39 per cent, visits to the area for this purpose.

Andy Street, Mayor of the West Midlands, said: "Tourism plays a vital role in the region's economy, supporting thousands of jobs and delivering inclusive growth."

"It also helps to showcase the West Midlands internationally to the benefit of our other key sectors. The increase in overseas visitors coming to the region demonstrates its continued appeal to global audiences."

The Republic of Ireland was the West Midlands' largest overseas market for tourism (305,284 visits) followed by Poland (234,182), Germany (192,280), France (150,358) and the United States (124,216).

Nicola Hewitt, Commercial Director at the West Midlands Growth Company, added: "These figures are proof not only of the popularity of the West Midlands' lei-

sure tourism offer, but its standing as an important global destination for business and corporate events."

"Through our work with VisitBritain and partners including Birmingham Airport, we are promoting the region as widely as ever. By targeting markets with the potential to attract even more visitors, such as India, China and Germany, we want to build on the West Midlands' positive reputation ahead of major events such as the 2021 Coventry City of Culture and 2022 Commonwealth Games."

College courses to help career move

WALSALL College has launched a range of new courses to help more adults get back into work. The college has introduced the flexible courses to also help people change career, find a new hobby or gain a promotion.

From part-time programmes to distance learning and continuous development courses, adult learners can fit around family and work commitments.

Courses are available in a range of subjects including Accounting and Finance, Automotive, Engineering, Welding, Childcare, Health and Social Care, Computing and ICT, Construction and more. Walsall College is helping new learners compete by giving them access to subsidies of up to £4,065 to fund some of its Level 3 and 4 courses.

Jatinder Sharma OBE, principal and chief executive of Walsall College, said: "At Walsall College, we are passionate in our belief that education should be accessible to all, regardless of age or background. Learning new skills should be a continuous journey."

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Seven miles of tailbacks after rush-hour collision

DRIVERS were warned of up to seven miles of tailbacks on the M6 after a rush-hour crash caused havoc on the region's main motorway.

The crash was thought to involve a car and a lorry with several other stranded vehicles, last Tuesday, according to Highways England.

Because it was busy, there were four lanes running northbound and three of them were temporarily closed between Junction 10 for Wolverhampton and Junction 10a for the M54 link.

The crash happened at around 7.35am leaving the commuting traffic queuing back all the way towards Junction 7, for Great Barr.

Knock-on

Delays of up to 50 minutes were reported on the stretch. Other roads, including the Black Country Route leading from the M6 at Junction 10, faced a knock-on effect from the M6 problems and were reportedly far heavier with traffic.

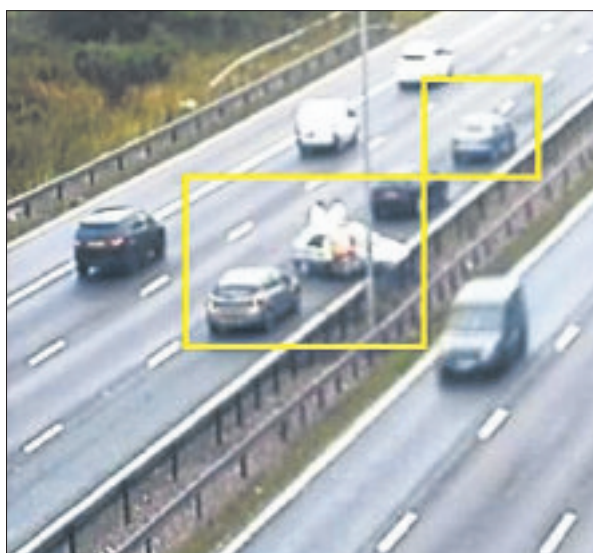
Highways England say stranded vehicles after the crash came to rest side-on in the carriageway. Traffic officers were sent to the scene.

Officials urged people to allow plenty of extra journey time.

A West Midlands Ambulance Service spokesman said the car suffered damage on the driver's side.

A woman, aged 56 who was the driver of the car, was being treated at the scene. Details of her injuries were initially unclear but she is not thought to have been seriously hurt in the crash.

The route had been cleared completely after 9am, with the delays on the route easing after that.



Problems on the M6, with vehicles involved in a crash indicated via boxes

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NEW research from McDonald's found that half of Birmingham adults want to move away from the traditional 9 to 5 working patterns, and into working conditions which would offer flexibility.

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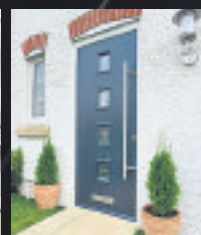
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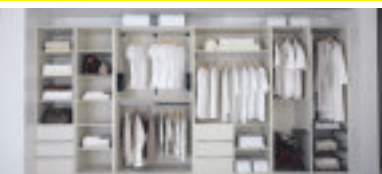
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Ticket sales up in Light House fight

THE campaign to save the Light House cinema and media centre in Wolverhampton, is going from 'strength to strength' says its chief executive Kelly Jeffs with ticket sales up by 26 per cent.

But the Black Country's only independent cinema is still on the look out for businesses to sponsor it and help plug a funding gap to safeguard its future. Visitor numbers rose by more

than a quarter in July compared with the same month last year.

The chief executive said the increase was partly due to the 'Mamma Mia affect' as the successful blockbuster had boosted all cinemas across the country. But she said it also proved that people in the city value the cinema and want to ensure it stays open.

The Light House, a registered charity based in the historic Chubb

Buildings since 1991, features an independent cinema, cafe bar and galleries. Donations can be made to the cinema by cash or cheque payable to Light House Media Centre, or online via localgiving.org/charity/lovelighthouse Companies, individuals and organisations wanting to discuss sponsorship and partnership can call Kelly Jeffs on 01902 716055 or email kelly@light-house.co.uk

Practice makes perfect for training centre crews

DRAMATIC photographs of firefighters tackling a blaze captures a day in the life for West Midlands Fire Service workers.

The photos, shared on social media, reveal a wooden crate engulfed in flames, black smoke billowing out of a charred building and firefighters from Walsall running into the building as part of specialist training exercise.

The exercise was undertaken by Walsall Fire at West Midlands Fire Service's training base in Oldbury.

The crews got the fire under control after storming the building and used a fan to get rid of the smoke.

A West Midlands Fire Service spokesman said: "Firefighters underwent fire simulation training which they take part in at least once a year."

"Training takes place on a regular basis to ensure firefighters can act safely and efficiently when communities need them. The training is based in Oldbury where we have specialist six-storey facilities to make conditions as realistic as possible. It is used to help understand fire behaviour."



The fire training facility in Oldbury



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Two new MRI scanners for hospital patients

Youth team nets uni aid



Tom Leak with Dr Chris Sellars and Graham Biggs, Academy Manager

A YOUTH football team's shirts are being sponsored by a university. The bright red strip of Walsall Football Club's youth team will feature the logo of the University of Wolverhampton.

The university, which already sponsors the away supporters stand at the Banks's Stadium, will now have its name and logo on the front of the shirts for the 2018/19 season.

Speaking after the deal was agreed, academy manager, Graham Biggs, said he was delighted that the club has been able to extend their ties with the university.

He said: "We have always had

a very good relationship with the university and we have had a partnership with them, having interns here, supporting the curriculum and using their facilities."

Dr Chris Sellars, of the university, said: "We have got plenty of students who want to learn within a performance environment and we have now got opportunities to both support the players but also create opportunities for our students."

Under 18s captain Tom Leak added: "Being able to learn from people who want to come into the industry and being able to help them learn is good for both sides."

PATIENTS visiting a Black Country hospital will be treated with state-of-the-art MRI scanners after the completion of a major project.

Work to house two new scanners at Walsall Manor Hospital started in January – replacing its previous scanner which was more than 16 years old.

The project has now been completed and from September 10, patients will be able to use the new facilities.

The equipment is used to diagnose and identify a range of conditions from back and knee injuries to brain problems cancer, multiple sclerosis and arthritis.

The trust has entered into a 15-year contract with the InHealth Group, which has seen the replacement of the old scanner and installation of a second. Bosses say the investment will also enable the trust to make better use of its financial resources.

Russell Caldicott, the trust's lead executive director for the MRI project, said: "We are delighted that this major project is now nearing completion and that from September 10 our scanner provision will be doubled."

Appreciate

"This means borough patients won't have to wait as long for a scan and the Trust can increase the number of patients it sees which is so important for those people anxiously awaiting investigations and diagnoses. I'd also like to thank patients and staff for bearing with us during the construction work. While disruption has been kept to a minimum and the service has been maintained we appreciate people's patience."

The Siemens Aera scanners provide exceptional image quality and are more suitable for patients who suffer from claustrophobia than standard scanners.

They are also suitable for bariatric weight loss surgery patients – a service that has previously been unavailable in Walsall.

InHealth has delivered managed MRI services to Walsall Healthcare NHS Trust, at the Walsall Manor Hospital site, for more than 17 years. The latest generation scanners only require 24 hours maintenance per year as opposed to the usual 36 hours.

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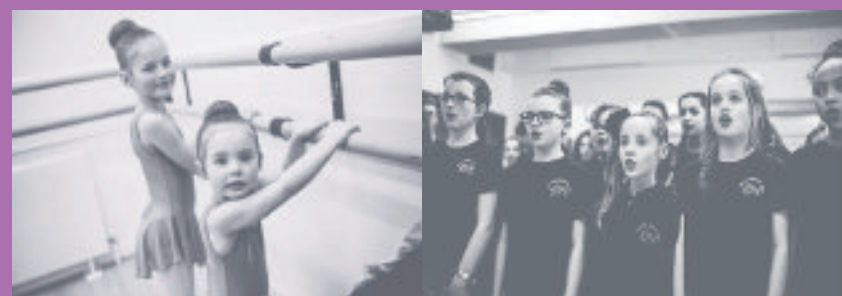
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12 Burst main leads to road chaos

The Chronicle Thursday, August 30, 2018

A BURST water main caused misery for residents and drivers in Great Barr. The pipe burst in Chapel Lane last Thursday morning and drivers were sent on an eight-mile diversion because a 0.7 mile stretch of road was closed between the junctions of Coronation Road and Crook Lane, on Birmingham Road. The problem also led to low water pressure for residents, which South Staffs Water worked to resolve. Ward councillor Mike Bird said: "The road is heavily used, it is a bit of a rat run for motorists. It was chaos particularly because one lane of the Birmingham Road is closed while work on trees carried out." "This burst water pipe has caused real problems."

Chance chat sees dealer locked up

A CHANCE meeting with a policeman has put a drug dealer behind bars for three years after he was caught with nearly £1,500 in cash and dozens of wraps of heroin and cocaine. Zac Hazeldine was spotted driving along Bloxwich Road North in Willenhall by the police officer who stopped him for a chat, a judge heard. It became increasingly obvious that the defendant was edgy. Wolverhampton Crown Court was told. Finally Hazeldine lost his nerve and bolted out of his car, but the officer managed to grab the 22-year-old's bag as he fled. The incident took place around 5pm on Saturday, July 21. The officer searched Hazeldine's bag after grabbing it and found it held £1,465 cash and 64 street wraps of heroin or cocaine worth a total of £640, explained Mr Tim Harrington, prosecuting.

The defendant was found hiding at a nearby address soon afterwards. He was arrested and charged with possession of heroin and cocaine with intent to supply. He had previous convictions for robbery, shoplifting and criminal damage but none for drug offences, the court heard. Debt Mr David Swinnerton, defending, said father-of-two Hazeldine turned to drugs after the relationship with his partner broke down and he started using cocaine and mixing with the 'wrong crowd.' The lawyer continued: "He found himself being told he was £5,000 in debt for drugs from people who began demanding the money with increasing pressure. He was physically assaulted on two occasions." Hazeldine from Hawthorne Road, Short Heath, admitted possession of heroin and cocaine with intent to supply.

Tasty! MAAC and cheese fundraisers



MAAC the mascot with air crew team leader Jim Hancox

THERE'S something cheesy going on across the Midlands - and it's all for a good cause. Cheese-inspired events could be popping up over the region to raise money for the Midlands Air Ambulance Charity. Whether it's a lunchtime event in the office, or a Friday night in with friends, the charity is urging people to host their own cheese-inspired fundraisers to raise awareness and funds during National Air Ambulance week, from September 10 to 16. The event, called MAAC 'n' Cheese, is open to anybody who wants to plan an event, with details and suggestions on the Midlands Air Ambulance Charity (MAAC) website. Abbie Hawkins, events co-ordinator, said: "The idea is that people host their own get together, providing refreshments or asking friends or colleagues to each bring something along, hopefully tucking in to lots of cheese and making fundraising fun." Visit the website midlandsairambulance.co.uk/maacncheese

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Ice cream champ's pride over rainbow offering

A CHAMPION ice cream caught the mood of a special event in Walsall at the weekend, by coming up with a six flavour rainbow-coloured treat.

Philip Mancini, three-time national ice cream champion, has unveiled the new ice cream in support of the LGBTQ+ community, for the Walsall Pride event on Saturday.

Developed by Mr Mancini on behalf of the Ice Cream Alliance, the colourful new ice cream is produced using a traditional Italian method and consists of six different flavours – strawberry, orange, pineapple, mint, bubblegum and forest berries. The flavours are layered to resemble the distinctive colours of the rainbow flag.

Parlour

To further support UK Pride, a percentage of the profits from each sale of the new ice cream will be donated to LGBTQ+ rights charity Stonewall.

Mr Mancini, from Ayr in Scotland, has claimed the coveted National Ice Cream champion title three times over the past decade, and now serves as the alliance's vice president.

He is the third generation of his family to work as an ice cream maker and has recently switched his focus away from a traditional parlour and into the growing market of ice cream at weddings.

Selling from a traditional ice cream cart and trike, he already has a packed order book running into 2020.

The Ice Cream Alliance is a trade organisation that represents manufacturers and retailers across the £1 billion UK ice cream industry.



Philip Mancini, with his multi-coloured ice cream for Walsall Pride

Mr Mancini said: "I was delighted to be asked by the Ice Cream Alliance to produce this very special new ice cream to showcase our support for LGBTQ+ culture."

"I have produced all manner of ice cream types and flavours over the years but I think rainbow-coloured is definitely a first."

"We put a lot of work into selecting the flavours and ingredients to ensure

that we had a quality end product that really looks the part."

Zelica Carr, CEO of the Ice Cream Alliance, added: "The Ice Cream Alliance are supporters of the LGBTQ+ community and Pride events across the UK. We wanted to come up with something a bit special to really showcase that support, and Philip was kind enough to lend us his award-winning talents for the occasion."

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History of Acorns set to blossom with grant

THE ground-breaking history of a Black Country based charity will be preserved for future generations thanks to a successful bid to the Heritage Lottery Fund (HLF).

In a project, Acorns Children's Hospice will record milestone moments from its rich 30-year history to display in a grand exhibition for members of the public.

The Acorns Story Box Project, made possible thanks to a grant of £34,700, will form the lasting legacy of the charity's 30th anniversary celebrations.

Acorns 30th Anniversary Campaign Manager, Sarah Bowron, said: "We're very excited to reveal that our application to the Heritage Lottery Fund has been successful. I believe it is vital to capture our history and we're delighted that we've received the support of National Lottery players."

"Not only will the Acorns Story Box project help others understand our historical significance as pioneers in the children's hospice movement, it will also enable us to share our learning and show the impact of our work over the past three decades."

By Heather Large

A team of dedicated staff and volunteers will collect 30 oral history interviews with key individuals past and present who represent Acorns varied and remarkable family.

Acorns unmissable bright orange Story Box caravan will also be touring the region, with the charity inviting members of the public to share their own favourite memories of the last 30 years.

For more information about Acorns Story Box project or to find out when the caravan will be coming to a town or city near you, visit www.acorns.org.uk/storybox.

Ghost town shock at once-thriving centre



Poolway Shopping Centre in Garretts Green, Birmingham

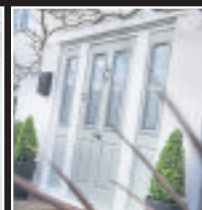


The rear of the properties which are derelict

SHOCKING pictures have shown how a once-thriving shopping centre became a ghost town just months after closing. The derelict and neglected Poolway Shopping Centre in Garretts Green, Birmingham, now displays rows of shuttered shops despite once being home to pet, toy and bike shops and a medical centre.

Built in 1961, only two shops in the block remain open with two families in the flats above them while they wait to be relocated. The site was compulsory purchased by Birmingham City Council and is set to be the new home for Birmingham Museums Trust. It will eventually replace the museum's collection centre in the Nechells area and will

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Half think 'no deal' on Brexit is coming

HALF of people across the West Midlands expect a 'no deal' Brexit and plan to spend accordingly, a new survey has found.

The survey of 279 members of the public in the region was commissioned by KPMG. Overall 50 per cent said a 'no deal' Brexit was likely and 20 per cent that it was unlikely.

A clear majority of the region's respondents believe a no deal scenario would have a significant impact on their life with 69 per cent thinking prices would rise and 68 per cent saying they would change their consumer behaviour. Also 45 per cent believe a no-deal will be bad for the country compared with 22 per cent who think it will be good.

Karl Edge, Midlands regional chairman of KPMG, said: "This survey shows the public expect a 'no deal' Brexit and plan to spend accordingly. The results reveal how people are anticipating substantial disruption in the short to medium term, before they expect Brexit to have a more positive effect on the economy in the medium to long term."

"During this period of disruption, people across the region expect prices to go up, delays at airports plus a potential hit to the pound. The mood music of the Brexit talks is likely to have a direct effect on consumer confidence."

Family links call on football club medal



William in the 1930s



The front and back view of the medal which has been linked to Darlaston Town

A WALSALL football club is appealing for family descendants as they trace the story of a mysterious medal.

Darlaston Town 1874 FC want to hear from the 'Corfield' or 'Whistance' family to track down the origins of a family heirloom.

Darlaston Town Vice Chairman Garry Hale was contacted by Verena Burrows from Stockport, who is the granddaughter of William Corfield who was originally from Brownhills, Walsall.

Following William's death in 1948, Verena was given a box of his items where she found what she thought was a coin. After having the item cleaned she realised it was actually a football

medal that was presented to her grandfather in 1893 with the inscription 'Darlaston Football Academy'.

The front of the medal was inscribed with the name 'A. Whistance', who was William's future wife. Verena has kept and cherished the medal for 70 years but is now looking to track down its origins.

It's believed that William was born in the Walsall area and worked in a steel foundry before moving to Dukinfield in Greater Manchester. Verena remembers her grandmother wearing the medal as a brooch before Verena converted it back into a medal with a chain.

Her grandparents were unable to attend her wedding in 1948 but she did see them at their house so they could see her in her wedding dress. William

then passed away two days later. She has now donated the medal to the club and is keen to hear from anyone who knew the family or has any information on the medal.

Club Chairman and historian Neil Chambers said: "Football records back in 1893 were very sparse and it may be that William Corfield played for Darlaston but we simply do not know. Certainly the club existed in 1893 and the Wednesbury Charity Cup and other Charity Cups were competed for at that time. It would be fantastic to find out the origins of the medal."

Anyone with information about the Corfield or Whistance families or information regarding the medal should email chambers568@btinternet.com or call 07976752698.

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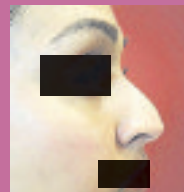


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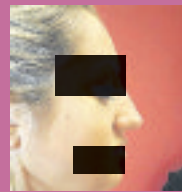
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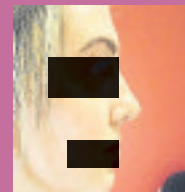
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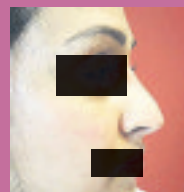
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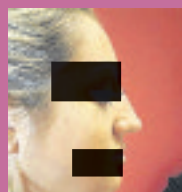
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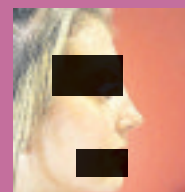
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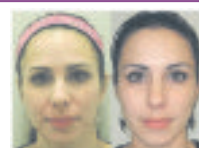
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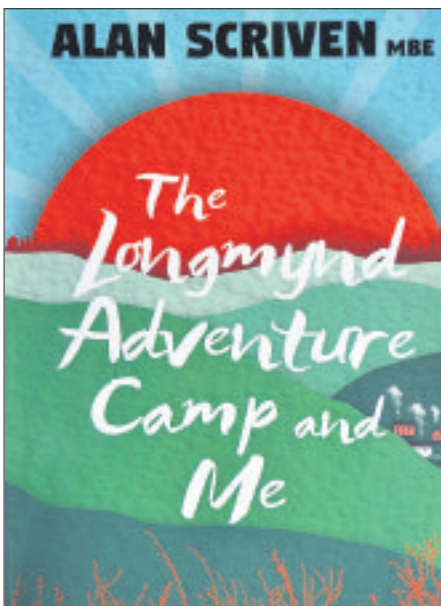
The original 'skipper' Bill Williams with youngsters during the 1977 camp



Boys take part in a sack race during a sports day in 1983



This is the life – youngsters eating a meal around an open fire in 1959



Alan's first book, The Longmynd Adventure Camp and Me

Holiday in hills which helped lads achieve a better Mynd-set for life

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The late Bill Williams was the Shropshire country policeman who started it all, with his idea of giving a camping holiday for un-

MEMORY LANE

Report by Toby Neal

derprivileged boys from the urban areas of the West Midlands. It linked up with a holiday scheme run by the then-Women's Voluntary Service.

"Dear Mr Bill Williams, I'm so glad you had invited me to stay at the camp for 10 days. Thank you for the food that we had. Will you write back to say that we did see a ghost, because my mum doesn't believe me," wrote Andrew Buxton, of Shirley, Solihull.

"Dear Skipper, I hope you are feeling well. Thank you for the beautiful holiday that you gave me and for the songs that you learned me," wrote Clive Pearce.

And another letter, from a helper: "Dear Sir, As you can see

by the above address (Her Majesty's Prison, The Dana, Shrewsbury) things have changed for me since our last meeting . . . I will always remember all the great songs we sang, especially your daughter Debbie's favourite, There's A Worm At The Bottom of The Garden. Brilliant! I am sorry for letting you down Mr Williams."

Bill was from a tough background himself. He was brought up in a two-up two-down terrace house in Wellington. With no water supply or bathroom, they had a tin bath, and the toilets were earth closets at the top of the yard. He was only five when his father died, leaving his mother struggling to feed and clothe the family on a widow's pension.

In the first camp some boys stayed in tents in the garden of his police house at Wistanstow,

near Craven Arms, in 1958, which gave him the idea to run a venture which would give holidays to young boys who had never had one. Thanks to helpful farmers, from then on annual camps were held at a number of different locations in the shadow of the Long Mynd. At the time, Alan Scriven was a five-year-old living in poverty in a single-parent family at Fifth Avenue in Low Hill, Wolverhampton. When he first went to the camp in 1965 it was to change his life – so much so that he was to follow Bill as its 'Skipper' and the man known as 'Scriv' was to be awarded the MBE for his 33 years' involvement.

Alan, who worked for a time as a traffic manager, wrote a book detailing the story of the camp, but has now penned a follow-up, called More From The Longmynd

Adventure Camp and Me. There was, incidentally, a girls' camp started around the late 60s which Alan says did not stand the test of time for various reasons, 'one of them being the unsatisfactory behaviour of the young ladies – bless them'.

Some of those from Bill and Alan's times are now planning a 60th anniversary celebration.

Alan, who lives in Moseley, Wolverhampton, writes: "The Longmynd Adventure Camp changed a lot of people's lives, not just the lads who were lucky enough to be selected. There were many kind souls who came along at different parts of the camp's life who willingly offered whatever they could to help the lads enjoy the experience." Alan's book is published by Heddon Publishing at www.heddonpublishing.com



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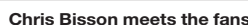
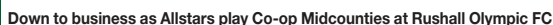
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The Alexander Stadium in Great Barr is to be one of the key venues while swimming and diving events will be held at a newly built aquatic centre in Smethwick.

The other Sprint routes are from the city and Sutton Coldfield via the planned new neighbourhood at Langley and the A45 between Solihull and Birmingham Airport into the city. The new bus lanes and bus priority could also be used by local bus services.

A PARTNERSHIP between a charity and shopping centre has been launched.

Walsall Healthcare's Well Wishers charity and the Saddlers Shopping Centre are teaming up – with a year of fundraising support. The charity raises money for items that the NHS don't provide.



SOAP stars took to the pitch to raise money for charity and despite the wet weather hundreds supported.

Some of the biggest names from Hollyoaks, Emmerdale and Coronation Street took the trip from Manchester to Walsall on Sunday to play against a Midcounties Co-op team at Rushall Olympic FC's very wet and

rainy Dales Lane ground. Hollyoaks' Nick Pickard and Jacob Roberts, Coronation Street's Alan Halsall and Andy Whymant, Emmerdale's Anthony Quinlan and Ryan Giggs' brother Rhodri, were among the names that turned out for the the Jet2 TV Allstars team.

The event raised money for local charities Street Teams, Beacon Vision, The Mase Group, ALZ Cafe

and Codsall Village Hall with Co-op aiming to make more than £10,000 to be divided among the groups. Andy Whyment, who has played Kirk Sutherland in Coronation Street since 2003, said: "We always enjoy it whatever the weather. It's always nice to get a good reception from the crowd too."

"Me and Alan took it in turns playing between right-back and right-

wing, he's 36 and I'm 37 now so we haven't got the legs anymore. We play a lot of charity games throughout the year and making the money for the causes is what it's all about."

Alan Halsall, who plays Tyrone Dobbs in Coronation Street, said: "It's typical, we've had such a great summer and then we get this weather. But it's still been a great day. All these people came out in

the rain to help us raise money and awareness so that's great."

Giggs scored the winner goal in a 2-1 victory for the stars. He said: "I've been to a lot of Midcounties Co-op events over the years so I come to the midlands and the Black Country a fair bit and it's always nice."

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MP laughs off claims of 'guns on tractors'

GAVIN Williamson has denied claims he suggested putting guns on tractors as he insisted he was focused on fighting for extra funding for the military.

The Defence Secretary hit back over criticism that he had 'lost the plot' and was plunging Britain's armed forces into crisis through a series of 'crackpot schemes' to solve an equipment shortfall.

An unnamed source was quoted in The Sun as saying that the South Staffordshire MP wanted to mount weapons on tractors, disguise mobile missile systems as Coca-Cola lorries, and transform old commercial ferries into beach assault craft.

Mr Williamson laughed off the claims and said containerised missile systems were already a 'military reality', while his allies insisted he was doing 'a fantastic job' in battling for more cash for the armed forces.

Available

The Defence Secretary told the Chronicle: "We have never considered putting guns on tractors. We are looking at how we invest in new shipping and new concepts."

"We already have containerised missile systems, they are available around the globe. It is something that is used by all military."

"We just launched the new Land Ceptor missiles, which is a containerised missile system, which means you can drive it around the country."

"These are things, which are not fanciful, they are actually a military reality."

Mr Williamson has already successfully landed an extra £800 million funding boost from the Treasury, but he believes the department needs £2 billion more a year just to keep the armed forces at their present size and avoid the need for damaging cuts.

"The thing I have always been completely committed to is getting the very best for our armed forces," he added.

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Reducing the risks – the road safety workshop is open to 15 to 21-year-olds from throughout Staffordshire

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Legendary Hoy rides into venue

Olympic legend Sir Chris Hoy rides into Birmingham to talk about his new book and his incredible career in cycling.

One of Great Britain's most successful Olympic athletes of all time, the six-time gold medalist was voted 2008 BBC Sports Personality of the Year, and was knighted in 2009. In 2016 he added to his record list of achievements when he finished the Le Mans 24 Hours race on his debut.

Sir Chris's new book, *How to Ride Bike* is a compelling guide to becoming a fitter and faster cyclist, and he takes the stage at Birmingham's Town Hall on September 18, from 7.30pm, to give the low-down.

Tickets start at £18. See boxoffice@thsh.co.uk or call 0121 780 4949.

Meanwhile, broadcaster Danny Baker is embarking on a series of 'one-night stands', with a stop-off in Birmingham included.

Good Time Charlie's Back comes after Baker successfully took *Cradle to Grave* out on the road, after which he vowed to never tour again. A dozen one-off shows were agreed instead and he will be at the Town Hall on September 17, from 7.30pm. Tickets are £22.50.

Adam Henson will take the Town Hall stage to share stories about his life, career and the running of the Costwold Farm Park on September 6, from 7pm.

The BBC Countryfile presenter will also give his thoughts on British Agriculture. Henson will answer audience questions and sign books. Tickets start at £20.50

La fille mal gardée cast



Stage is set for ballet

THE curtain will rise on Birmingham Royal Ballet's interpretation of Frederick Ashton's *La fille mal gardée* (The wayward girl) next month.

Ashton's Royal Ballet production began in 1959 when the British choreographer created a new version for the Royal Ballet of London.

The full-length ballet is an engaging story and has remained a firm family favourite.

It centres on country beauty Lise, who, when she falls in love with farm lad Colas, is

about to upset the apple cart. Her mother, widow Simone, has her own ideas about who her daughter should marry. Enter Thomas, a pompous and wealthy vineyard owner, and Alain, his rich son – as good-looking as a potato and smart as a turnip as well as the proud possessor of two left feet.

So Lise has a choice to make a choice – the a loaded country bumpkin or penniless, hunky farmhand? Of course, there's no contest, but Simone has other ideas. Heels are dug in and sparks fly, as a mother-daughter battle of wills

ensues. *La fille mal gardée* mixes spectacular classical ballet with slick comedy, a clog-dancing dame and a super-cute pony.

It runs at the Birmingham Hippodrome from September 26 to 29, at 7.30pm, each night, with a Thursday matinee at 2pm and a pre-performance talk on the Friday from 6.30pm. The final day will feature a touch tour at 10.30am, a class on stage at 11.45am, an audience open day at noon and an audio description matinee starting at 2.30pm. Tickets start at £16.

Egg-citing arena tour announced

Cirque du Soleil has announced a brand-new UK arena tour, OVO, and will perform in Birmingham in October.

For its UK debut in London in January, OVO officially became the highest-selling Cirque du Soleil performance run to visit the city. The tour comes to the Arena Birmingham stage from October 3-8.

The cast comprises 50 performing artists from 17 countries specialising in acrobatic acts. Among them is 'Black Spider', aka Alanna Baker from the United Kingdom, a gymnastics European champion in 2011 and a bronze medalist at the World Championships in 2012. Alanna, who has been training since the age of five, has travelled around the world with OVO and is now set for a return home.

Having thrilled more than five million people worldwide since it premiered in Montreal in 2009 as a Big Top show, OVO – Portuguese for egg – offers the same captivating production but on a larger scale.

OVO is a headlong rush into a colourful ecosystem teeming with life, where insects work, eat, crawl, flutter, play, fight and look for love in a non-stop riot of energy and movement. When a mysterious egg appears in their midst, the insects are awestruck and intensely curious about this iconic object that represents the enigma and cycles of their lives.

Tickets on sale now via the Cirque du Soleil website or at www.livenation.co.uk

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Pop out for rollercoaster ride through the decades



Stars G and Kayla

Pop Music comes to the theatre, in the form of a play described as an emotionally contagious rollercoaster.

From Bruntwood Prize winner Anna Jordan, Pop Music is performed at the REP Birmingham from September 12 to 22 at 8pm most nights. The Monday, September 17 show starts at 7pm and there's a 2.30pm matinee on Thursday, September 20.

Tickets start from £10. Visit <https://www.birmingham-rep.co.uk/whats-on/pop-music.html>

G and Kayla's lives are a mess but they're determined to 'Have It Large'. Full of adrenaline and cheap Prosecco, the audience can follow them on an epic journey through 30 years of pop.

Can the DJ save them as they become Dancing Queens, reliving their Teenage Dream, Staying Out For The Summer and spicing up their lives? Pop makes promises it can't keep, and soon they'll discover they have more in common than their taste in tunes.

With an epic soundtrack featuring three decades of pop, expect Beyoncé, Spice Girls, Michael Jackson and more, as G and Kayla talk, twerk, drink and dance their way through the night.

All performances feature British Sign Language and captioning.

If Joe Lycett you should see him on home soil

Birmingham comic Joe Lycett is back on home soil for two upcoming dates during his 2018 tour.

Following 'If Joe Lycett Then You Should've Put a Ring On It' and 'That's the Way A-Ha A-Ha, Joe Lycett', the 30-year-old Hall Green-born funnyman is now on a 48-date tour called 'I'm About To Lose Control And I Think Joe Lycett'.

In 2012, his debut stand-up show 'Some Lycett Hot' was nominated for the Best Newcomer at the Edinburgh Comedy Awards.

The comedian, who has featured on Live At The Apollo, 8 Out Of 10 Cats Does Countdown, QI and The Royal Variety Performance, and was a contestant on the fourth series of

Taskmaster, will be sharing jokes, paintings and some of the pathetic internet trolling he's been up to recently.

He performs at a sold-out Dudley Town Hall on September 7, from 8pm and at the Symphony Hall, Birmingham on November 12, 8pm. Tickets are £23.

The laughs continue with Comedy at the Cornbow, hosted by Dudley's Wayne Beese, described by Lycett as 'one of the best comperes I have ever had the pleasure of working with'.

Canadian tour-de-force Tom Stadel and award-winning Alun Cochrane and Jo Enright feature on the bill at the Cornbow Hall, in Hagley Street, Halesowen on September 15.

Early bird tickets are £15 at www.ticketsource.co.uk/comedycornbow



Birmingham comic Joe Lycett

War Horse runs again at the Hippodrome

Following eight record-breaking years in London's West End, the National Theatre's acclaimed production of War Horse returns to Birmingham Hippodrome later this year.

War Horse has been performed to more than seven million people in 11 countries and was last in Birmingham five years ago. It is being staged from October 10 to November 3.

Based on the novel by Michael Morpurgo, it tells of Albert, young Joey's beloved horse, who, at the outbreak of the First World War, is sold to the Cavalry and shipped to France. Soon, he is caught up in enemy fire and fate takes him on an extraordinary journey, serving on both sides before ending up in No Man's Land. Albert, still on his parents' farm in Devon, cannot forget Joey, and although too young to enlist, embarks on a treacherous mission to find him and bring him home.

At the heart of the moving drama are astonishing life-sized horses.

Tickets start from £29.50. See birminghamhippodrome.com or call 0844 338 5000.

Arena date on Horizon for steel city rockers

Bring Me The Horizon will play Birmingham later this year.

The announcement comes after the quintet released the debut single Mantra from their upcoming sixth studio album, Amo.

The Sheffield rockers formed in 2004, fronted by Drop Dead owner Oliver Sykes. They released their debut album Count Your Blessings in 2006, which featured songs such as For Stevie Wonder's Eyes Only and Pray for Plagues.

The band began to break away from their deathcore sound with follow-up release Suicide Season in 2008, which was a creative, critical and commercial turning point for the band.

Their major label debut, Sempiternal, was released in 2013 and achieved gold certification in Australia and silver in the United Kingdom.

Bring Me The Horizon have received four Kerrang! Awards, including two for Best British Band and one for Best Live Band. The group will play Arena Birmingham on November 23.

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Olivia Cooke

Vanity Fair (ITV, 9pm)

New series. Adaptation of William Makepeace Thackeray's novel about an amoral woman who cunningly manipulates her way to the top of Georgian high society, while the Napoleonic wars rage around her. Starring Olivia Cooke and Claudia Jessie, with Michael Palin appearing as Thackeray himself. Charlie Rowe, Johnny Flynn, Simon Russell Beale, Tom Bateman, Suranne Jones, Robert Pugh, David Fynn, Claire Skinner, Martin Clunes, Siena Kelly, Kerry Gilbert, Grace Schneider, Richie Campbell, Ben Fox, Rebecca Brewer, Bob Goody, Pieter Lawman, Ellen Attwell, Sarah Williams, Alice Kerrigan, Jenna Brook and Daniel Croucher also star.

BBC1

6.00 Breakfast. **8.35** Match of the Day. (R) **10.00** The Andrew Marr Show. **11.00** Sunday Morning Live. **12.00** Bargain Hunt. (R) **1.00** BBC News: Weather. **1.15** Still Open All Hours. (R) **1.45** Hold the Sunset. (R) **2.15** Money for Nothing. (R) **3.00** Points of View. **3.15** Songs of Praise. **3.50** Fake or Fortune? (R) **4.50** Shop Well for Less? (R) **5.50** Pointless Celebrities. (R)

6.35 BBC News.

6.50 Regional Programme.

7.00 **Countryfile.** Steve Brown presents a guide to the Isle of Sheppey, a part of the country particularly close to his heart. He visits a family-run farm that is also a designated nature reserve, as well as going in search of wildlife, from wading birds in the wetlands to livestock on the saltmarsh. Plus, a selection of reports from the archives exploring Britain's marshlands. Including Weather for the Week Ahead.

8.00 **Fake or Fortune?** Fiona Bruce and Philip Mould investigate the origins of two paintings by unknown artists dating back to the 18th and 19th centuries, which unusually for the period, depict black subjects. One is a portrait of Dido Belle, a famous former slave adopted into an aristocratic English family in the 1760s, while the other depicts two children against a tropical landscape, and is believed to have been painted as a protest against the slave trade.

9.00 **Bodyguard.** Julia's counter-terrorism bill draws even closer to becoming law while London is left reeling from the recent attacks. However, her ambitions stir up political rivalries, leaving David under even greater pressure to ensure her safety. The police are marginalised from the investigation into the terrorist attacks, which is placed under the control of the security service, and David is left unsure who to trust as his superiors put pressure on him to provide them with information on Julia's activities.

10.00 BBC News.

10.20 Regional Programme.

10.30 **Match of the Day 2.** Mark Chapman reviews the day's Premier League action.

11.35 **Supermarket Shopping Secrets.** (R) **12.35** Weather for the Week Ahead. **12.40** BBC News.

BBC2

6.35 Around the World in 80 Gardens. (R) **7.35** Gardeners' World. (R) **8.35** Countryfile. (R) **9.30** The Beechgrove Garden. (R) **10.00** Saturday Kitchen Best Bites. **11.30** Great British Menu. (R) **12.00** Great British Menu. (R) **12.30** Great British Menu. (R) **1.00** Haiky Bikers' Best of British. (R) **2.00** Wastemen. (R) **3.00** Equestrian: Burghley Horse Trials. **5.10** Tribes, Predators & Me. (R)

6.10 **Film: Indiana Jones and the Temple of Doom.** (1984) The intrepid archaeologist, with his young sidekick and a nightclub singer in tow, is stranded in India, where he takes on a mission to recover magical sacred stones from the hands of an evil cult engaged in human sacrifice and child slavery. Steven Spielberg's action adventure, starring Harrison Ford, Kate Capshaw, Ke Huy Quan and Amrish Puri.

8.00 **Dragons' Den.** Self-made millionaires Peter Jones, Deborah Meaden, Touker Suleyman, Jenny Campbell and Tej Lalvani assess the profit-making potential of more would-be entrepreneurs' ideas, including a doctor who has invented a range of convertible clothing, a team of university friends with an online art platform, and a pair of hairdressers with a colour wash shampoo business.

9.00 **Eight Go Rallying: The Road to Saigon.** The teams begins a 900 kilometre journey across Cambodia that takes three days to complete. Along the way, they drop in a market where insects and spiders can be bought as snacks and visit sites linked to the atrocities of the Khmer Rouge regime, including the S21 prison and the notorious Killing Fields. Fatigue and ill health starts to take its toll as they cross the border into Vietnam.

10.00 **Millionaires' Ex-Wives Club.** A glimpse into the lives of high-profile divorce cases for the super rich, following two women as they battle with their former husbands for a share of their fortunes. (R)

11.00 **Film: Kinky Boots.** (2005) A man inherits a struggling shoe factory and finds salvation for his business in a drag artist's need for custom footwear. Comedy drama, starring Chiwetel Ejiofor.

12.40 Sign Zone: Countryfile. (R) **1.35** Holby City. (R) **2.35** This Is BBC Two.

ITV

6.00 CITV: Dino Dana. **6.10** Super 4. (R) **6.25** Super 4. (R) **6.35** Make It Pop. (R) **7.00** Mission Employable. (R) **7.05** NinjaGo: Decoded. (R) **7.15** NinjaGo: Decoded. (R) **7.30** NinjaGo: Decoded. (R) **7.40** ToonMarty. (R) **7.55** Scrambled! Sketch Show. (R) **8.25** ITV News. **8.30** Zoe Ball On Sunday. **9.25** The X Factor. (R) **10.35** WOS Wrestling. (R) **11.35** Big Star's Little Star. (R) **12.35** Best Walks with a View with Julia Bradbury. (R) **1.05** ITV News: Weather. **1.20** Film: The LEGO Movie. (2014) Animated comedy, with the voice of Chris Pratt. **3.15** Catchphrase. (R) **4.00** Tipping Point: Lucky Stars. (R) **5.00** The Chase. (R)

6.00 **Paul O'Grady's Little Heroes.** Paul meets 13-year-old Amelie, who has been coming to the hospital since she was a baby, and eight-month-old Alexander, who was born profoundly deaf. (R)

6.30 ITV News: Weather.

6.45 Regional Programme; Weather.

7.00 **5 Gold Rings.** New series. Game show, hosted by Phillip Schofield, in which contestants answer visual questions. The first episode features sisters-in-law competing against a married couple.

8.00 **The X Factor.** Talent contest, hosted by Dermot O'Leary, in which solo singers and groups compete to win a recording contract.

9.00 **Vanity Fair.** New series. Adaptation of William Makepeace Thackeray's novel about an amoral woman's ascent through Georgian high society. Starring Olivia Cooke.

10.05 **The Imitation Game.** New series. Alexander Armstrong hosts the panel show, with Rory Bremner, Debra Stephenson, Luke Kempner and Jess Robinson taking on impressions-based challenges.

10.45 ITV News: Weather.

11.05 **O'Everest Challenge: With Ben Fogle and Victoria Pendleton.** Documentary following broadcaster and adventurer Ben Fogle as he faces the challenge of a lifetime, alongside Olympic gold medalist Victoria Pendleton, to scale Mount Everest. (R)

12.05 Monster Carp. (R) **12.55** Jackpot247. **3.00** Motorsport UK. (R) **3.50** ITV Nightscreen. **5.05** The Jeremy Kyle Show. (R)

CHANNEL 4

6.10 Motorsport: Caterham. **6.40** Everybody Loves Raymond. (R) **7.05** Everybody Loves Raymond. (R) **7.30** Frasier. (R) **7.55** Frasier. (R) **8.25** Para Athletics: European Championships. **9.30** Sunday Brunch. **12.30** The Simpsons. (R) **1.00** The Simpsons. (R) **1.30** Peng Life. (R) **2.00** Film: Hulk. (2003) Comic-book adventure, starring Eric Bana. **4.40** The Great British Bake Off. (R)

6.00 **Extreme Cake Makers.** New series. A baker is challenged to make a flamingo-shaped cake with edible feathers made of paper, while a former helicopter pilot creates edible teddy bears for Armed Forces Day, hand-carved from 11 kilos of chocolate cake and covered in 25 kilos of fondant. A third baker makes an elegant three tier floral wedding cake made from pistachio, cardamom and rose flavoured sponge.

6.25 Channel 4 News.

6.45 **Formula 1: Italian Grand Prix Highlights.** Steve Jones and David Coulthard present action from the 14th round of the season, which took place at the Autodromo Nazionale Monza. Lewis Hamilton was aiming to equal Michael Schumacher's record of five victories in this race and gain an edge in his championship battle with Sebastian Vettel in the process.

9.00 **Film: Jack Reacher: Never Go Back.** (2016) Premiere. When the commander of his old military unit is arrested on trumped-up spy charges, vigilante Jack Reacher investigates. Action sequel, starring Tom Cruise, Cobie Smulders and Danika Yarosh.

11.20 **Film: A Bigger Splash.** (2015) A rock star recovering from surgery finds her peaceful Mediterranean retreat disrupted by the arrival of a former lover. Drama, starring Tilda Swinton and Ralph Fiennes.

1.35 60 Days in Jail. (R) **2.25** The Supervet. A 10-month-old golden retriever undergoes groundbreaking treatment. (R) **3.20** French Collection. Three rivals upcycle items from a French market before selling them in Brighton. (R) **4.15** Village of the Year with Penelope Keith. The judges visit Rutland, Derbyshire, Northamptonshire and Co Derry. (R) **5.10** The Posh Frock Shop. (R) **5.35** Countdown. (R)

CHANNEL 5

6.00 Milkshake!: Peppa Pig. **6.05** Peppa Pig. (R) **6.10** Peppa Pig. (R) **6.15** Bao Bei. (R) **6.30** Digby Dragon. (R) **6.40** Fireman Sam. (R) **6.50** Thomas & Friends. (R) **7.00** Bob the Builder. (R) **7.15** Rusty Rivets. **7.30** Peppa Pig. (R) **7.35** Peppa Pig. (R) **7.40** Ben and Holly's Little Kingdom. (R) **7.55** Paw Patrol. (R) **8.10** Nella the Princess Knight. (R) **8.25** Shimmer and Shine. (R) **8.45** Pirata & Capitano. **9.00** Noddy: Bayland Detective. (R) **9.15** Floogals. (R) **9.35** Paw Patrol. (R) **9.45** Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles. (R) **10.20** Cats Make You Laugh Out Loud. (R) **10.40** Make You Laugh Out Loud. (R) **11.35** Police Interceptors. (R) **12.35** Police Interceptors. (R) **1.35** Police Interceptors. (R) **2.35** Bad Tenants, Rogue Landlords. (R) **3.30** Bad Tenants, Rogue Landlords. (R) **4.30** Can't Pay? We'll Take It Away! (R) **5.25** Can't Pay? We'll Take It Away! (R)

6.15 **Can't Pay? We'll Take It Away!** Agents in central London try to recover almost £1,900 owed in parking fines, while officers Stewart and Vic chase over £2,200 owed by a scrap yard owner. (R)

7.00 **Cricket on 5.** England v India. Mark Nicholas presents action from day four of the Fourth Test in the five-match series, taking place at the Ageas Bowl in Southampton.

7.55 5 News Weekend.

8.00 **That's So 1980.** An entertaining look back at events of 1980, a year politics met sport when the USA boycotted the Moscow Olympics. There was a taste of terrorist acts to come when the Iranian embassy in London was besieged prior to being stormed by the SAS in front of a live TV audience. Plus, Lady Diana Spencer emerged as a favourite of the paparazzi, B-movie actor Ronald Reagan beat Jimmy Carter in the US presidential election and prime minister Margaret Thatcher delivered her "The lady's not for turning" speech. New developments in consumer technology saw the release of Pac-Man and the UK launch of the Sony Walkman. (R)

9.00 **Celebrity Big Brother.** The ups and downs of life in the BB house as friendships and alliances are made, battle lines are drawn and arguments erupt.

10.00 **Most Shocking Moments in Pop.** (R) **12.55** SuperCasino. **3.10** Gotham: Rise of the Villains. (R) **4.00** Now That's Funny! (R) **4.45** Wildlife SOS. (R) **5.10** House Doctor. (R)

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BBC Four

7.00 BBC Proms 2018 **8.30** The Gardeners of Kabul **9.00** Hull's Headscarf Heroes **10.00** The Last Testament of Lilian Billocka **10.30** Franco: The Wild Side: Natural World **11.30** Storyville: The Golden Age of Circus - The Show of Shows **12.45** Scotland's Vital Spark: The Clyde Puffer **1.45** Going Going Gone: Nick Broomfield's Disappearing Britain **2.45** The No.5 War **3.40** Close

ITV2

12.40 Ninja Warrior UK **1.40** You've Been Framed! Gold **2.45** The X Factor **4.05** Film: Charlie and the Chocolate Factory (2005) **5.10** FYI Daily **5.15** Film: Charlie and the Chocolate Factory (2005) **6.20** Film: The Amazing Spider-Man 2 (2014) **7.20** FYI Daily **7.25** Film: The Amazing Spider-Man 2 (2014) **9.00** Film: American Pie: Reunion (2012) **10.05** FYI Daily **10.10** Film: American Pie: Reunion (2012) **11.15** Family Guy **12.45** American Dad! **1.40** Ghosted **2.05** Totally Bonkers Guinness World Records **2.30** Teleshopping

ITV3

11.05 Inspector Morse **3.30** Rosemary & Thyme **5.05** Lewis **7.00** Agatha Christie's Marple **9.00** Les Dawson Forever **11.00** Wire in the Blood **12.25** A Touch of Frost **2.20** Road to Avonlea **4.00** Judge Judy **4.40** George and Mildred **5.35** ITV3 Nightscreen

ITV4

3.45 Storage Wars **7.00** Cycling: Vuelta a Espana **8.00** Cycling: Tour of Britain **9.00** Film: Paddington (1982) **10.00** FYI Daily **10.05** Film: First Blood (1982) **11.05** Film: Born to Raise Hell (2010) **12.05** FYI Daily **12.10** Film: Born to Raise Hell (2010) **1.10** Minder **3.00** Teleshopping

E4

12.35 Brooklyn Nine-Nine **1.35** Young Sheldon **2.35** The Big Bang Theory **7.10** Film: Paddington (2014) **9.00** Krypton **10.00** Fear the Walking Dead **11.00** Gogglebox **12.05** The Big Bang Theory **1.30** Krypton **2.25** Fear the Walking Dead **3.10** Hollywoods

Film4

11.00 Rio (2011) **1.00** Mirror Mirror (2012) **3.10** Epic (2013) **5.20** The Two Faces of January (2014) **7.15** Men in Black II (2002) **9.00** Risen (2016) A Roman officer is charged with investigating reports of Jesus' resurrection in the aftermath of the crucifixion. Biblical drama, starring Joseph Fiennes and Tom Felton. **11.10** Friends with Benefits (2011) Romantic comedy, starring Justin Timberlake. **1.20** The Stag (2013) **3.15** Close

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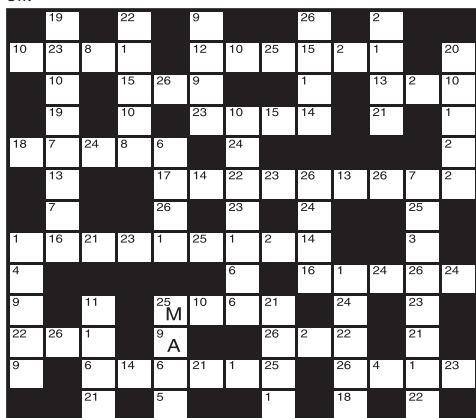
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- 500 playing the piano, the asses! (7)
- Coarser shopkeeper, we hear (7)
- Serious accent (5)
- With strings attached? (4)
- Again rigid limit (8)
- Get rid of hut (4)
- Scold for speed (4)
- To rig hut thoroughly perhaps (8)
- Clean warhead with fire residue (4)
- Assign everybody to return (5)
- Indian Ocean island for a get-together again? (7)
- Finish smaller, though going on for ever (7)
- Newspapers feel the squeeze? (5)

Down

- Correct until engagement, without any backlog at all (5,2,4)
- Sailor takes poem home (5)
- Does he have a great crowd to entertain? (4)
- Obscure coffer in cavern (6)
- Drink to sleep in? (5-3)
- Inspect axe sent up to pit (7)
- 000s of sugary endearments? (5,8)
- Disparage command to avoid greatness? (8)
- Paid the account and stayed there permanently (7)
- Suitable wear for putting spirits down? (6)
- A team apart (5)
- Is it taken easily by camel-riders? (4)



Quick Clues:

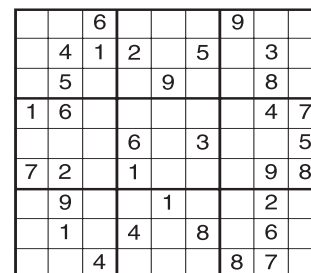
Across

- Surpass (5)
- Sorrow (7)
- Part-exchange (5-2)
- In competition (5)
- Drill (4)
- View (8)
- Appendage (4)
- Price (4)
- Innocuous (8)
- Basin (4)
- Correct (5)
- Intellectual (7)
- Shreds (7)
- Thick (5)

Down

- Institution (13)
- Professorship (5)
- Sediment (4)
- Divers (6)
- Compartment (8)
- Clear (7)
- Forswear alcohol (4,3,6)
- Drive out (8)
- Flood (7)
- Estimate (6)
- Seas (5)
- Old (4)

Sudoku



Fill in the grid above so that every column, every row and each of the 3x3 boxes contains all the digits from 1 to 9.

LAST WEEK'S SOLUTIONS >

4	9	1	2	8	6	3	5	7
2	5	8	9	3	7	1	4	6
6	3	7	5	4	1	8	9	2
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LAST WEEK'S CROSSWORD SOLUTIONS:
CRYPTIC - Across: 3 Pill-boxes; 8 Lime; 9 Compasses; 10 Patron; 11 Sleep; 14 Adorn; 15 Drop; 16 Treat; 18 Teal; 20 Again; 21 Local; 24 Bushel; 25 Corvettes; 26 Arms; 27 Foreshore. Down: 1 Elephants; 2 Emotional; 4 Iron; 5 Lapel; 6 Ousted; 7 Even; 9 Count; 11 Shell; 12 Preachers; 13 Spineless; 17 Tagus; 19 Louvre; 22 Aitch; 23 Go to; 24 Bear. QUICK - Across: 3 Impromptu; 8 Pond; 9 Originate; 10 Exempt; 11 Steer; 14 Elver; 15 Dawn; 16 Aloor; 18 Anew; 20 Evoke; 21 Wrath; 24 Beaten; 25 Contender; 26 Turf; 27 Refectory. Down: 1 Ephemeral; 2 Interview; 4 Mart; 5 Fight; 6 Minded; 7 Tote; 9 Opera; 11 Sloth; 12 Raconteur; 13 Indemnity; 17 Fewer; 19 Writhe; 22 Tenet; 23 Poke; 24 Bear.

Quiz

- Where is the annual British Showjumping Derby held?
- Which great circle may be terrestrial or celestial?
- In which US state is the Corning Museum of Glass, reputedly the world's finest collection?
- Who directed The Wild Bunch in 1969?
- For which motor racing team did Nigel Mansell drive (briefly) in 1995?
- Which book of stories inspired Baden Powell to form the Wolf Cub division of the Boy Scout movement?
- Which astronomical feature may be spiral, barred or elliptical?
- What type of trader's traditional sign is three gold balls?
- Which Christian festival commemorates the coming of the Magi?
- What is a skua?

Last week's solutions:

- Quiz: 1 Gustave Flaubert; 2 Chloroform; 3 South Africa; 4 Universities; 5 Privet; 6 Rabbit; 7 Camille Saint-Saens; 8 Harpo; 9 Eucalyptus; 10 Gerald Durrell.

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The master bedroom has a double glazed window overlooking the rear garden and a door into the en-suite.

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The car features an increased ride height

Ford's rugged Fiesta Active is an 'exciting lifestyle crossover'

By Sharon Walters

Ford latest crossover – the Fiesta Active – starts at a price of £17,790 with the jacked-up city car available in three variants – Active 1, Active B&O Play and Active X – and is in the firm's range alongside the Ka+ Active in "offering buyers an exciting lifestyle crossover".

It has the basic design of the latest version of the Fiesta, but all Active models will receive a rugged-look body styling kit, an increased ride height, roof rails, front fog lights and 17-inch alloy wheels as standard.

There's also three selectable drive modes – Eco, Normal and Slippery – along with Hill Start Assist.

Other features included at no extra cost are lane-keep technology, automatic headlights, a heated windscreen and rear privacy glass.

Ford's SYNC 3 infotainment system with Bluetooth connectivity features too, which also supports Apple CarPlay and Android Auto.

B&O Play models add more kit and get their name from 10-speaker Bang & Olufsen audio systems that feature, as well as aesthetic tweaks such as a black roof with matching rails.

There's also yellow highlights throughout the cabin, along with additional tech such as cruise control, rain-sensing wipers, illuminated cup holders and



It has the basic design of the latest Fiesta

a 4.2-inch TFT instrument cluster with traffic sign recognition.

Pricing for the B&O Play variants begins at £19,190.

The range-topping Active X brings partial leather upholstery, heated front seats, power-foldable door mirrors with puddle lights, a rear-view camera and parking sensors, as well as the addition of navigation and DAB radio to the SYNC 3 system. It's available from £20,290.

Two engines are on offer for the Fiesta Active.

There's one petrol unit, a three-cylinder, turbocharged 1.0-litre motor that is available in four states of tune – 84bhp, 99bhp, 123bhp and 138bhp.

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The Active X features partial leather upholstery

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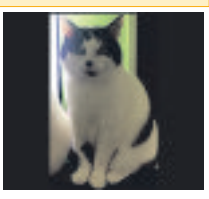
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Ready for action: Walsall Ladies' open age senior side face the camera



Mayor Marco Longhi and ex-Saddler Mark Gillespie open the 3G facility at Walsall West E-Act Academy last year



Walsall's under-14s line up after a donation from the M6 toll



A 2005 presentation to the club for £8,360 from the Football Foundation

Ladies get ready to kick off 21st year milestone

WALSALL LADIES Football Club have cause for celebration even before a ball is kicked this season after hitting another milestone.

The club, affiliated to the League One Saddlers, are about to embark on their 20th campaign as they continue to go from strength to strength under the guidance of the man who has been there from day one, chairman Brian Simpson.

The forthcoming campaign will see Walsall run a senior side in the Staffs County League and with teams at under-9, 11, 13, 15 and 16 age groups.

They also boast some impressive facilities on which to display their ball skills at West Walsall E-Act Academy, in Primley Avenue. The club and school have formed a winning partnership with a 3G pitch installed last year which is now used by all of the Walsall sides and the envy of their rivals.

The school has been the Ladies' home for more than a decade and the club played a leading part in bringing about the new facility. It was made possible thanks to a grant from the Premier League and The FA Facilities Fund, delivered by the Football Foundation.

Development

The then Saddlers goalkeeper Mark Gillespie helped to cut the ribbon on the new facility, along with Walsall Mayor Marco Longhi in August last year.

Founded in 2000, the Football Foundation funds the development of new and refurbished grassroots sports facilities.

Since it was launched, it has awarded around 15,000 grants worth more than £580m towards improving grassroots sport, which it has used to attract additional partnership funding of more than £800m.

Academy headteacher Qamar Riaz said on its unveiling: "We are delighted to have received the investment, from the Football Foundation which has enabled the new 3G pitch to be available to our local community."

Meanwhile Simpson is delighted to see the Ladies club thriving, with a turnout of more than 250 people at the end of the season awards night providing further evidence they are on the up.

SPORTING FEATURE

By Nick Elwell

"I keep saying I am going to step down and then something happens and I carry on. But I enjoy it and we are a football-mad family."

"Our first season was in 1999 and we are really proud of what we have achieved," said Simpson. "I can't think of another girls and ladies set-up around here that has been going so long."

"Over the years, firstly as Great Wyrley and now as Walsall, we have seen in excess of 1,000 girls and women play football for us."

"We have had success with some of our girls gaining scholarships to play football in America and a couple progressing through the ranks and going on to play for England at various age groups."

"It's difficult at times because we have Wolves, Albion, Villa and Birmingham around us who all have academies."

"We have lost a couple more girls to academies this year and while we are obviously pleased to see them progressing, it can be a bit soul destroying at times when players you have had from the age of six move on at 14 or 15. But we keep going and keep working hard."

Indeed, there has been plenty of hard work from Simpson and his family over the years. He got involved with girls football when his daughter Donna played at Kidderminster, but the family links don't end there.

"I got involved when Donna was at Kidderminster and ended up running the side," he said. "Then when this club got up and running I took on the chairman role and my wife Christine was secretary."

"She did that until she passed away five years ago and Donna is secretary now."

"My son-in-law Neil is vice-chairman and my

granddaughters are also involved. Alisha and Amelia play for the under-15s and under-9s, while the other one, Esme, will be starting to play soon.

"I keep saying I am going to step down and then something happens and I carry on. But I enjoy it and we are a football-mad family."

Creating a 'family feel' is key for Simpson and he believes it has been a key ingredient in the club's success.

"We had over 250 people at our end of season presentation night – it was a really good evening," he said. "There is a real family atmosphere here and a real bond between the officials players and parents."

"You have to get a good balance at a club. You can't take things too seriously. The girls have got to enjoy their football and the parents have to enjoy being part of the club as well," said Simpson.

More youngsters will be coming through the door this season after Simpson unveiled plans to start a 'Wildcats' section for girls aged between four and six.

Prospering

At the other end of the age scale, Holly Gayler is in charge of the senior side along with Samantha Simpkins. "We want to run sessions for four to six-year-olds and they will run alongside our training sessions on Tuesday nights at the E-Act Academy," said Simpson.

"We are looking to the future and want to have sides running all the way through to the senior side."

"Girls football seems to be prospering at the young age groups although it's a lot more difficult to recruit from the age of 15 upwards."

"The senior side was reformed last year and finished just below mid-table."

"Holly has stepped in to form a management team with Sam, who wants to concentrate more on playing."

The club, which was afforded Charter Standard status in 2002, are looking for players for the forthcoming season and also anyone interested in sponsoring them.

Anyone interested in joining the senior set up should contact Samantha Simpkins on 07782 830359.

For information on the club's other age group sides or sponsorship, contact Brian Simpson on 07817 785690 or email walsallladiesfc@gmail.com

Denny lines up for latest title challenge

ROWLEY Regis fighter Tyler Denny takes on Reece Cartwright for the English Middleweight Title at Walsall Town Hall next month.

The Midlands Area champion, 27, a product of Old Hill Boxing Club in Cradley Heath, headlines BCB Promotions' latest Town Hall show on September 22 as he bids for national honours.

Co-challenger Reece Cartwright, from Leeds, has racked up 22 bouts at pro at the age of 24, with 21 wins and 12 TKOs to his credit.

The under-card features home favourite James Beech Jr, an undefeated super bantamweight prospect, 21 from Bloxwich. Another Walsall pugilist, Levi Ferguson, also features, while Ryan 'Stewart' Davies, a former kick-boxer from Tividale, will be looking to rebound from his first pro defeat. Flyweight 'Pocket Rocket' Dani Hodges, from Burntwood, former national amateur champion Connah Walker, of Wolverhampton, and ex-kickboxer Troi 'the Hawk' Coleman completes the line-up.

For tickets, call the town hall box office on 0845 111 2900.

Noah earns call-up for Laser Run squad

A WOLVERHAMPTON teenager has been selected to be part of the Laser Run squad at the 2018 School Games. The national multi-sport event for the UK's most talented school-age athletes takes place at Loughborough University from August 30 to September 2.

Noah Sandland, aged 13, a student at the Ounsdale High School and is a member of the Black Country Triathletes, and will compete for the u-14's England Midlands squad in the Laser Run. He has previously competed in both the West Midlands and National Biathlon Championships.

More than 1,400 athletes will compete across 11 sports at the School Games. Laser Run is one of five new disciplines, along with canoeing and rowing, netball and triathlon.

Sandland will experience the excitement of competing at the highest level, living in a dedicated Athletes' Village on the Loughborough University campus, taking part in an School Games ceremony and performing in front of huge crowds of spectators.

Lions roar into action for inaugural contest

BIRMINGHAM takes centre stage for the first ever club-led international Women's American Football tournament this weekend.

After coming home from Finland with the inaugural Diamond Bowl trophy, Britain's quintuple champions Birmingham Lions, now hope to cement their position as an international force to be reckoned with.

From tomorrow (Friday), until Sunday, Lions welcome the New-York Sharks and Helsinki Wolverines to UK shores for the first ever Pro-Cloud Transatlantic Trophy. Matches will be held at the University of Birmingham, with New York Sharks and Helsinki Wolverines kicking off the tournament at 7.30pm tomorrow.

Defeated by the Lions in 2017, the Finnish outfit will be looking to even the score come 4pm on Saturday when the teams meet again. The hosts will then close proceedings against the Sharks, kick off 2pm on Sunday.

Fifty per cent of the tournament profits will go towards providing Critical Care Ambulances with the latest life-saving technology.

Sport

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Last-ball win boosts hopes of survival

WALSALL earned a two-wicket win over Smethwick from the final ball of their match at Gorway in the Birmingham League Premier.

Smethwick, after losing the toss struggled to 101-7 before an unbeaten 80 from Basit Zaman improved their fortunes to 207-9 after 50 overs. Sam Mills took 3-20 for Walsall, who were steered to a vital two wicket victory by Shoaib Akhtar (88 not out). The winning runs came from the final ball of the game as Walsall boosted their survival chances.

In division two, C&R Hawks defeated Streety, by 19 runs, in a match reduced to 24 overs each. Saqib Akbar blasted 65 from 43 balls in Hawks' 191-7, while Imran Qadir cracked 55 from 36 balls for Streety who ended on 172-7.

Pelsall racked up 250-8 in 50 overs in their third division clash at Newport, with 51 from Keith Moody and 48 extras. Newport skipper Mark Downes took 3-39, but his side collapsed to 118 all out with three wickets each for Ross Shelton and Tom Boyd.

In the Staffs Clubs Championships, Aldridge were chasing a revised 221 from 41 overs after Brewwood racked up 220-5 declared in 43. But they were skittled for just 93 to lose by 127 runs. Bloxwich (120-6) claimed a draw with Cannock, who were 206-5dec.

Naweid Younis hit 59 and Gurbhej Singh 47 in Walsall YPF's 230-6. Despite 77 from Kamran Abbasi, Highcroft & Great Barr fell 42 short on 188 all out.

Rushall mustered 136 against Hamerwich 2nds and lost by nine wickets.

Second half goals earn win on first Dales Lane visit

Rushall Olympic 0 Royston 3
THREE second half goals saw visiting Royston Town claim their first league win of the season on their first ever visit to Dales Lane.

The visitors dominated the opening exchanges and went close straight from the kick-off when Rushall goalkeeper Joe Slinn made a fine save to keep out Josh Potton's fierce shot.

Against the run of play it was the home side who were almost in front when Justin Richards' looping header beat Harry Smart but crashed off the bar before being cleared.

Six minutes into the second half Ashley Sammons saw his fierce shot cannon off the bar but then the visitors took over and dominated the rest of the half.

They took the lead in the 71st minute when Rohdell Gordon found Vance Bola and the striker hammered a left foot shot into the bottom corner.

Eight minutes later Bola doubled the lead when he sidefooted home and with just two minutes remaining he returned the compliment for Gordon to round off the scoring.

Staffs Clubs boys bag the T20 spoils

THE Staffs Clubs stars shone under the floodlights to upset the odds and claim the Black Country Floodlit T20 spoils.

The league's representative side outplayed Birmingham League Premier outfit Wolverhampton in the final to round off another hugely successful week for the popular competition.

Spinner Dave Stibbon bagged the man-of-the-match award after picking up three wickets as Wolverhampton fell for 125 before half-centuries from Faizan Khan and Jimmy Howell saw Staffs to a nine-wicket success. Staffs Clubs XI skipper

Howell walked away with the MVP accolade. Not even an unwanted shower on final night could put a dampener on proceedings.

Staffs Clubs and Wolverhampton had overcame Brewood, Stourbridge, Halesowen and hosts Himley to earn a shootout for silverware

Himley stalwart Greg Wright, who came up with the idea of a floodlit competition nine years ago, said: "It's great to have new winners of the competition and I was really pleased for the the Staffs Clubs boys.

"They were really up for the competition and

got better and better as the week progressed." Warwickshire one-day specialist Ed Pollock, guesting for Stourbridge, had provided the fireworks earlier in the week with a blistering century while Mubeen Rashid also reached three figures for Wolverhampton.

"The competition has been really well supported this year," added Wright. "Every year is seems to be building. It's great to see the competition developing year on year."

He is now looking for something special to mark next year's 10th anniversary.

Perfect run continues as another ends

Darlaston Town 3 Droitwich Spa 1
THE strength of Darlaston's squad was evident as despite having five players unavailable, they extended their 100 per cent start with a superb all-round performance at The Paycare Ground.

Droitwich also with began with a perfect record and took the lead on 24 minutes against the run of play through a Chris Townley spot-kick

Darlaston equalised on 33 minutes with Noah Diallo at the heart of it. His 12-yard shot was parried by Sam Hawker and Leon Taylor was on hand to smash home into an empty net.

On 62 minutes a poor challenge by Townley on Daniel Bolzon saw a yellow card and a 25-yard free kick for the home side. Diallo saw his goal-bound effort tipped onto the post by keeper Hawker with the faintest of finger tip saves.

Two minutes later Darlaston took a deserved lead. The ever alert Taylor pounced on a poor back pass by Matthew Hunt, rounded keeper Hawker and confidently scored from 10 yards.

The third goal came on 69 minutes with a glorious four-man move rounded off with a 20-yard finish from Diallo.

Three minutes later the visitors were given a lifeline when Sam Causton brought down Haydn Morris in the penalty area. Townley again stepped up, but Liam Whittaker saved.

On Saturday Darlaston entertain Division Two team Warstone Wanderers in a J W Hunt Cup fixture at The Paycare Ground, kick off 3pm.

Swimmer finds Will to win after injury

A WALSALL swimmer has overcome a serious injury to bring home a gold medal from a top competition.

Will Cooper, aged 15, of Aldridge, has struggled with injuries in the last three years including a stress fracture of the spine. He was spotted by City of Birmingham Swimming squad, while swimming for Boldmere in Sutton Coldfield and joined them in January.

At the International Pool in Sheffield in the British Championships, he came home with a bronze medal in the 800m freestyle team relay and in the English Championships a week later, picked up a gold in the 100m Individual Freestyle.

BOSS Dean Keates has backed Zeli Ismail to make amends for the red card he picked up in Walsall's 2-1 win at Rochdale.

The Saddlers secured their fourth win in a row at Spotland on Saturday – with Ismail netting the winning goal.

But the winger was later sent off for picking up two yellow cards. The first arrived after the 24-year-old kicked the ball away after being penalised for giving away a free-kick.

He was then harshly given a second yellow for handball in the 86th minute. But Keates says the winger will soon make-up for his error.

"The first yellow we will have a chat about – that's where he needs to do better," Keates said. "The second one – he's a yard from the lad and the ricochet has hit him on the hand.

"He was disappointed and he apologised to the lads – but he has nothing to apologise for.

"He scored the winning goal. Yes, his red card has made the last 10 minutes more difficult, but that's what the lads are about – they made sure him going off the pitch didn't affect the result.

Difference

"They had Zeli's back. And there will be weeks where Zeli might be the difference for us getting a 1-0 victory. And that's when he will turn around and say 'I've repaid you for what you did for me at Rochdale'."

Walsall's win at Spotland was their fifth in six matches this season with Keates's side still unbeaten in the new campaign.

But despite their outstanding start, the boss says the team's first target remains to collect 52 points – and secure their League One status – as quickly as possible.

"We are happy where we are, we have got off to a good start but that's all it is – a start," the boss added. "As I said at the beginning of the season, the target was about making sure there was progression. It's about getting to 52 points as quick as we can, making sure this football club



Walsall players celebrate another vital away win at the end of the game at Spotland

is not looking over its shoulder come March and April time. We are in a good place but there is a long, long way to go."

Dale dominated the ball in the opening half-hour and threatened when Ian Henderson's header glanced off Jon Guthrie's thigh and into the side netting.

But the clinical Saddlers who took the lead on the half-hour. A lung-bursting run from Morgan Ferrier saw the striker put Harrison McGahey under relentless pressure. The defender had no option but to go back to keeper Magnus Norman. But with Andy Cook charging in from the other side, the glovesman ended up panicked

and passed the ball straight to Josh Ginnelly. The winger still had a lot to do 20-yards out. But he kept his composure to slide the ball into the back of the net.

Saddlers doubled their advantage after Ismail, on for Ginnelly, combined with fellow sub Josh Gordon. The winger danced into the box but had seemed to have run into traffic but produced another bit of magic to get away from a defender before emphatically firing past Norman.

It was a goal that should have put the game to bed. But 60 seconds later, Rochdale pulled one back when Aaron Wilbraham headed against the post and Callum Camps fire into an empty net.

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